Britain refuses to sign single currency deal

Dutch hopes collapse over summit treaty

By ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR, AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

THE Maastricht summit is unlikely to achieve any binding commitment to either political or economic union, it emerged yesterday as negotiations continued on new European treaties due to be signed in six weeks.

Britain said it would not sign a declaration committing the EC to a swift transition to a single currency, even though the new draft treaty on economic union received a warmer reception than most observers had predicted.

Ruud Lubbers, the Dutch prime minister who bolds the Community presidency, also accepted that the summit would probably not lead to any definitive treaty on political union and said it should programme" for the 1990s.

Downing Street dismissed the declaration on a single currency, which governments are being asked to sign alongside the treaty on economic and monetary union, as unimportant, irrelevant and "not worth much diplomatic effort". But Norman Lamont told cabinet colleagues yes-





agony aunt's job does not stop wheo she leaves the office and Virginia Ironside is no exception. But which question is she asked most often? Page 15

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Pickwick Papers was Dickens's first novel: can Dirty Weekend do the same for Helen Zahavi? The Whitbread First Novel Award candidates are assessed on Page 14

DOUBLE DIP?



will recover, the CBI records a surge in confidence but economists fear a second recession. In today's newly expanded Business Section, Anatole Kaletsky looks at the "double dip" theory

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Employers seeking chief executives, managers and other senior staff are advertising tomorrow in The Times' 12-page appointments section, cir-





1990s "work programme" terday that good progress had

been made on the treaty itself. The Treasury was yesterday still digesting the 87-page document and the first definitive reaction is unlikely to come before the Chancellor's Mansion House speech tomorrow, but intense negotiating since the Luxembourg national currency for the un-summit in the summer has proven ecu, will take the seen Britain establish several

that there will be no "im- so in the absence of firm position" of a single currency, which remains several years down the track; Parliament will decide both whether and when Britain should participate; and there will have to be considerable convergence of the varied EC economies before EMU can become a reality. However, Douglas Hurd said of the draft: "There are four or five chapters where a great deal of work needs to be done, and where gaps are still quite wide. We will work

hard to bridge those gaps."

Jacques Delors, presidential

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK

MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THOUSANDS of jobs are at risk in the BBC with the intro-

duction of market-driven re-

forms intended to save it up to £50 million over the next four

years in television production

Under a new "internal mar-

ket" scheme unveiled yester-

day by Michael Checkland,

the director-general, and John

Birt, his deputy, all resource

departments in the BBC -

from studios, camera and film

to makeup, scenery and graph-

ics - will be forced to compete

on price and quality against commercial rivals. From

April 1993 all producers will

be free to buy facilities from

new BBC "business units" or

from external sources, includ-

ing ITV companies.

The scheme, Producer
Choice, is seen as the start of

biggest shake-up in the BBC's

history. Next Wednesday, the

BBC will announce details of a

second and more significant

plan to cut excessive studio

capacity, which may mean the closure of several regional studios and less programme-

making at the BBC's White

City television headquarters.
Mr Checkland would not

cosis and overheads.

currency merger have been disappointed that the latest draft extends the "opt-out" clause to all 12 states.

Their greatest fear is that omy weakened by resuscitating the east, might drop out of community had not yet been EMU in several years' time — fully worked out".

which would make currency A three-hour session at union impossible this century. An aide to M Delors said: "If you widen the exemption, then you totally change the nature of the whole thing."

great future extensions of the Community's power to watch over and control national economies, the long sequence of convergence that is supposed to end with the switch to the ecu and a European central bank is now cast as an experiment. The key question is whether Germany, which is wary of sacrificing a strong crucial step.

The Germans are likely to The draft treaty confirms be even more reluctant to do moves towards a more federal Europe with a common defence policy. Mr Lubbers yesterday expressed particular doubt about whether that tricht. He told the European

of the European Commission settling everything in Maas- If the Lisboo summit still fails and architect of the definitive tricht, and the Community to sort out the future direction report oo monetary union should look again at the of the Community, the prob-four years ago, made no public consequences of the end of the lem will be inherited by comment on the draft text cold war for the concept of Britain, which takes over the yesterday, to the surprise of neutrality. Explaining why he presidency in July. the Dutch government which wanted to pursue more mod-was braced for a hostile re- est goals than a full union actioo, M Delors and govern- treaty, he said that "not

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put a figure on expected job

losses yesterday, but broad-

casting unions expect redund-

ancies to reach four figures as

they are phased in over the

Mr Checkland said that Pro-

ducer Choice, the result of a

study carried out by Mr Birt,

who is to succeed him in 1993,

would give the BBC "greater

scope to make quality pro-

grammes while ensuring

maximum value for money

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next few years.

Jobs under threat

in BBC market

ments that have argued for a everything is clear in our rapid, binding timetable for minds" of what needed to be done for political union, including such questions as how the principle of subsidiar-ity would work. He also said the limits of sovereignty must be made clear. He thought the "institutional balance of the

A three-hour session at Downing Street involving most of the cabinet on Montics to be adopted on political union topics. Britain is against Although the treaty foresees introducing common defence and foreign policies and is also concerned about the extension of majority voting and about giving the European Par-

liament more power. There will be a Common debate before Maastricht, in which the prime minister is expected to speak, but there will be no white paper setting out Britain's views on treaty options. Nor will there be any referendum later on the Maastricbt package. Downing Street is arguing that since the battle is about preserving parliamentary sovereignty, the calling of a referendum would be a contradiction of the

If Maastricht does disintegrate without definitive prowould be achievable at Maas- grammes on economic or political unions, the wbole Institute in Florence that matter will be passed on to Nato must remain the most inexperienced Portugal, which important defence organis- takes over the EC presidency ation, saying he thought more im January for the first time time was oeeded to reconcile since it joined the Community the different proposals for EC in 1986. The Portuguese had efence. hoped that they would inherit
Mr Lubbers said it would be a re-ordered EC and that they better to review the situation would simply implement the later rather than to insist on movement to a single market.

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Recession ending, says Lamont

By PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE government said vesterday it was now "quite clear" that Britain was coming out of the recession, and attributed the increase in business confidence recorded in the latest survey from the Confederation of British Industry to "the dramatic progress we have made in reducing inflation".

Norman Lamont, the chancellor, said there could "be little doubt that the economy is coming out of recession' Yet demand, output and employment have all fallen more sharply than the CBI's reports predicted, and yes-terday's survey of 1,203 manufacturers forecast the continuing loss of 5,000 jobs a

week in the sector. The CBI said it could not say wbether, as the prime minister and the chancellor have predicted, a recovery would take place in the second half of this year.

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For a month, the city b

Dubrovnik waits for siege to resume

From TIM JUDAH IN DUBROVNIK

"WHEN those chickenheads been without running water, have gone, the army will begin electricity and fresh food. Its again." That was all the thanks population has been swollen the team of EC monitors got from one Dubrovnik, citizen after they had battled their is an illusion that quickly way into "the pearl of the fades. Sobbing gently before Adriatic".

His cynicism was partly understandable. Colonel Silvio Mazzaroli, an Italian military attaché leading the team. could find little evidence that said that, after a month withthe beautiful old quarter of the out electricity, people had city had been devastated, come to buy the stock of There will be no graphic candles, pictures of ancient churches Down pounded by mortar fire to stir the conscience of the West.

The real disaster lies elsewhere. The soldiers have laid waste everything in their path on their way to Dubrovník. The villages around have been For a month, the city has

Vukovar bombed, page 12

of Mr Stiller, reported in the ations problems while it was November edition of Scien-tific American, does more working. It's very important, sort of like discovering there is a new element," according to in chess. It shows the power of Hans Berliner, a computer parallel processors to perform scientist from Carnegie-Mel-Ion University in Pittsburgh. Mr Stiller says the program can resolve a five-piece

> During the Tilburg tour-nament now in progress, Anatoly Karpov and Gary Kasparov reached a very similar endgame. Kasparov managed to force a draw despite having only a rook left against Karpov's two knights and a hishop. The game, bowever, took 101/2 hours before a draw



Partners again: Presidents Bush and Gorbachev preparing to face the photographers in Madrid yesterday

Gorbachev says he is in control

From Christopher Walker in madrid

PRESIDENT Gorbacbev lines. I have one line - the yesterday took the Western line of the Land of Israel." stage for the first time since Faisal al-Husseini, the the failed coup and re-Palestinian leader, said Palminded President Bush and estinians could accept ina worldwide television auditerim self-rule in the Israelience that he was still in occupied territories, provcharge of the Soviet Union. ided this led eventually to an He and Mr Bush today jointly open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid, indepedent Palestine. Mr Shamir said that Israel could not wait any longer forwhere the chief protaganists peace, and that terrorist acts yesterday moved towards an would not derail the initial

Mr Gorbachev later held an unprecedented meeting with Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli prime minister, the first ever between a Soviet and Israeli leader. After meeting Mr Gorbachev, Mr Shamir was asked whether, under pressure from all sides, he would draw red lines beyond which Israel

would not go. He told reporters: "There are no red lines and I am feeling no pressures ... There is no need to harden," be said. "There is no need to moderate. I haven't any red

apparent

commodation.

Mr Gorbachev's declaration that he was in charge came against a background of diplomatic reports that another communist bardline coup may be attempted in Moscow this winter if the supply of basic necessities there does not improve dras-

The chaotic situation inside the crumbling Soviet empire dominated the twobour meeting at the Soviet

embassy. President Bush asked repeated questions about the power struggle and later appeared reassured with the answers be received. Mr Gorbachev disclosed that the hreakaway Ukraine had reversed an earlier decision Continued on page 22, col 3

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Back on stage with lack of snap AS THE post-coup President ents. Kremlin watchers anchorman of the newly Gorbachev returned yes- noted that the president had formed Russian television terday to the heady world of lost much of his aura of conf-

international diplomacy, it became clear that his foreign as well as his domestic authority has been damaged seriously by the events of the past two months (Christopber Walker writes).

Ouestions at his press conference with President Bush were dominated by the situation inside the Soviet Union rather than world ev-

by 12.000 refugees. At first

glance life looks normal, but it

Titian's masterpiece The

Assumption above the altar in

Dubrovnik cathedral, an old

woman said: "They are selling

the candles in there." A nun

Down by the seashore, fam-

ilies fill buckets of water for

washing and laundry. In the

town centre, they queue pa-

tiently for drinking water

distributed by fire engine.

'We have enough left for

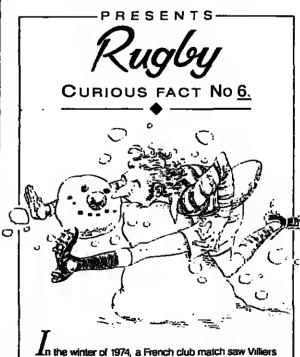
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idence. "A lot of the spring has gone out of his step, and a lot of the snap," said Steve Hurst, Moscow bureau chief of Cable News Network.

"I have never seen Gorbacbev with such a thin schedule . . . What is happening in Madrid is a sign things have changed so much, you should not call this a summit," said Yuri Rostov, the

channel.
"You did all right ... you are still a master," Mr Bush said in a well-amplified aside after the news conference. Mr Gorbachev smiled in response, but those watching took away the clear impression that whatever the personal characteristics of the men, these were no longer leaders operating on the same plane.

FAMOUS GROUSE FINEST SCOTCH WHISKY



In the winter of 1974, a French club match saw Villiers les Nancy a clear 62 points ahead of their opponents. Villeneuve, Villeneuve however, later claimed that they aten because Villiers fielded an extra man a snowman. Built by the bored Villiers full-back, the little chap, whitst totally stationary, was still quick enough to upend one of Vitteneuves' tardy wingers.



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At last — white to win in 100 billion moves

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

A POWERFUL computer has ition. By analysing 100 billion Using the latest type of par-Alamos laboratory in New Mexico. a computer scientist has proved that a king, a rook and a bishop can defeat a king and two knights in 223 moves. and two knights, a position the The computer solved the

problem in five hours. Lewis Stiller, from Johns Hopkins University in Bal-timore, wrote a 10,000-line program for the Los Alamos machine which worked back-

solved an old chess conun-drum, in 100 billion moves. showed that even when starting from the optimum defenallel processor at the Los sive position of the 7.7 billion combinations available, the king, the rook and the bishop can get the better of the king

In a real match, in which the world's grandmasters have six remaining pieces might pondered for years and always have fallen very differently, imagined must end in a draw. players would long since have puter showed that on average it might take as many as 120 moves to end the game in victory for king, rook and bishop.
The problem is one of a

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Black in the optimum defensive position

on almost indefinitely. The World Chess Federation has ruled that any game is a draw if checkmate cannot be forced whole series of endgames in 50 moves after all the ensure that it did not become

than simply resolve a question analyses hitherto considered too complicated for even the most powerful of computers. In a parallel processor, the endgame in about a minute.

electronic devices work simultaneously on different aspects of the problem, instead of in succession. one after the other. Parallel processors have more in common with the human brain, and are increasingly being applied to problems such as recognising patterns.

The program succeeded because Mr Stiller was able to without pawns which can go pawns have gone. The success bogged down in communic-



Jenkins: Britain unable to leave Europe aside

THE European question never seems to be settled in British politics. Monday's dinner of veterans of the Commons vote 20 years ago, in favour of Britain's membership of the community, was supposed to be a sentimental celebration with speeches by the victorious generals (Edward Heath and Roy [now Lord] Jenkins) and

continuing battle. So controversial is the issue that many current MPs preferred not to attend and be associated with the main speakers. Margaret Thatcher sent her regrets, dressed up in a reaffirmation of a Europe of

rose-tinted memories by the age-

ing colonels and captains of the

historic struggle. But the evening

turned into a call to arms in a

Twenty years after the vote that took Britain into the EC, the European question shows no sign of being settled, writes Peter Riddell

nation states. Only Nicholas Scott of the present administration was present, although there were several of Mr Heath's close aides (Lords Pym, Rippon and Prior) and the hard core of pro-European Tories. Roy Hattersley expressed "a general distaste for meetings of old comrades' associations".

Denis Howell was the most prominent of those Commons survivors of the 69 Labour MPs who gave Mr Heath his majority (another, Dick Douglas, is now a Scottish Nationalist). Most of the others are now retired, either voluntarily or involuntarily, as was pointed out by Bill Rodgers, organiser of the dinner and unofficial whip of the 69 in 1971.

Generals of '71 rally for renewed battle over Europe

Amid the mutual self-congratulation at having participated in a great event, there was a sense of regret that their votes 20 years ago had not resolved the question. Neither did the subsequent legislation, the 1975 referendum, or the battles in the 1980s over Britain's contributions to the budget. Now it is back again, with the Tory

agonising ahead of the Maastricht "members of the current governsummit.

Lord Jenkins of Hillhead argued that every party leader apart from Mr Heath had mishandled the European issue at the price of not exercising Britain's leadership role in Europe, not safeguarding British interests and not even advancing narrow party interests. The British people, he conceded, were not Euro-enthusiasis, but they were also not interested in narrow legalistic definitions of sovereignty and would respond to a strong pro-European note.

For Mr Heath, it was inconceivable that Britain should again be on the sidelines by opting out of the European Monetary Union. He hlamed any disillusionment on

ment who, for 12 years, have said oot a single good thing about the community".

There is the paradox that all main parties, and most voters, now support active British particination in the community, but that Britain remains a "resentful and ill-suited" member, in the words of historian David Reynolds in his new book, Britannia Overruled. It is partly to do with differing approaches to methods of government, but is also a reflection of Britain's desire to keep open its options about its international role.

As Lord Jenkins noted, all parties seem unable to leave aside their most divisive issue. From

ernments regularly made their difficulties worse by returning again to the divisive issue of tariff

In 1971, he argued that the only sensible course for Labour was to lean back in a tolerant manner and leave the Heath government to get on with the European question. But it did the reverse. Similarly, io the past few years, the Tories have found it hard to avoid stumbling on Europe. John Major is unlikely to be the last British prime minister to attempt to obscure these contradictions by compromise and fudge.

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Council can borrow to offset £24m **BCCI loss**

By KERRY GILL

retirement to help the council,

said the authority was the

biggest single employer in the

Western Isles, which already

council to deposit money in

BCCL I am aware that these

circumstances are being in-

vestigated by the Controller of

Audit and that the matter may

be the subject of a report to me

by the Accounts Commission

these costs."

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But then you'd expect

Mr Lang added: "In reach-

WESTERN Isles council, Mr Carter, who came out of which lost £24 million invested with the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce International in July, was last night given permission to suffered a very poor economy. borrow a similar amount to help it out of its immediate ing this decision, I am not financial dilemma.

nancial dilemma. expressing any view on the Ian Lang, the Scottish secretary, said it was plain that the council had to have the money to meet spending commitments this financial year, but the council would be responsible for all interest and repayments.

The borrowing, likely to be in due course. from the Public Works Loan Board, is expected to lead to about 200 council redundancies and an increase in the The loan charges will accordpoll tax from £77 a bead to ingly not be taken into acmore than £200. The council count in the calculation of the will have to find more than £3 council's revenue support million a year for the next 30 grant for 1992-93 or future years to meet interest

repayments. Mr Lang said: "I am sat-, isfied that the Western Isles council will need to borrow Donald, Labour MP for the during the remainder of this Western Isles, said that it was financial year in order to very disappointing that the adjust to the consequences of government had not yet reits BCCI loss. I have therefore alised the full extent of the granted the council consent to crisis facing the isles. borrow up to a maximum of £24 million in the period up to enough to give the council

Cutbacks of up to 12 per cent are being considered in prepared to help in a more all departments and there could be a liquidation of assets. The council has even services in months to come. considered selling its headconsent we would have had to regard it as a bad debt which would have been crippling."

Sir Leslie Martin wins top Riba prize

guished architect, yesterday received the 1991 Royal Institute of British Architects trustees' medal for his work at the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation in Lisbon. The work included acting as architectural and planning consultant for the master plan and design of the Centre for Modern Art and the Children's Pavilion.

Sir Leslie, aged 83, was born in Manchester and educated at the University of Manchester School of Architecture, where he became an assistant lecturer and received a doctorate in 1934. He became head of architecture at the University of Hull and worked for the London, Midland and Scottish Railway and for the

"My consent is subject to sor of architecture at Camthe council itself meeting the entire costs of the borrowing. bridge University and was a consultant for building work at the universities of Hull, years. It will be for the council itself to decide bow to meet Last night Mr Calum Mac-

and planning". The trustees' medal hon-'It is simply not good borrowing consent," he said. "The government must be positive way if we are to avoid massive joh losses and cuts in

'I shall be seeking an urgent quarters in Storooway and meeting with the Scottish leasing them back Tom Caroffice at which I hope to ter, acting finance director, present a petinon from the said: "If we had not got people of the Western Isles

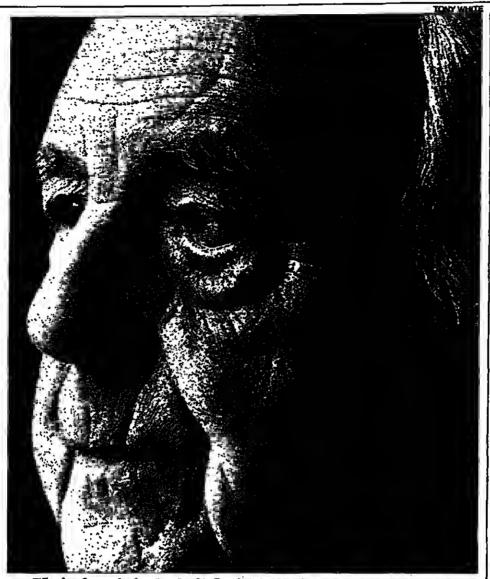
SFO accused, page 23

By JOHN YOUNG SIR Leslie Martin, a distin-

Londoo county council. In 1956 he became profes-

Leicester and London. He taught throughout his career and has been visiting professor at Oxford, Harvard, Yale and the Royal College of Art. Sir Leslie received his knighthood in, 1957 and was awarded the Royal Gold Medal for Architecture in 1973. The citation said that he had made a "truly outstanding

ours Sir Leslie for his part "in the creation of an urban space, the Gulbenkian Foundation's complex of buildings in its Lisbon park, crowned by his Centre for Modern Art and Acarte". The new award, inaugurated last year and endowed hy Marley plc, reeognises outstanding architecture anywhere in the



Winning face, winning facade: Sir Leslie Martin (above) and (below) his Centre for Modern Art, with Henry Moore scalpture in the garden, in Lisbon



Fishermen angry at EC 'betrayal'

By MICHAEL HORNSBY AND KERRY GILL

But David Curry, the fish-eries minister, defended the deal, which was reached in Luxembourg on Monday night after two years of bitter argument.
"The fishermen must stop

this constant bellyaching," said Mr Curry. "They say they want conservation but they oppose every single measure that is put forward. Every time they trot out the same old press releases saying it is the end of the world as they know

The agreement will limit the length of drift nets used for fishing tuna in the North Atlantic, so as to reduce the killing of dolphins and other sea mammals, and increase attempt to destroy us." the minimum mesh size of nets used to trawl for cod and haddock in the North Sea, allowing more juvenile fish to

FISHERMEN accused the from June 1, 1992, but vessels government of betrayal yes- which have been using drift terday in the wake of a nets for more than two years European Community agreement on new measures to conserve fish stocks.

will be allowed a further 18 months during which they may use nets up to three miles.

This concession, required to appease the French, who have 37 vessels licensed to use drift nets in the North Atlantic, was bitterly attacked by Cornish fishermen. "We have been stabbed in the back once again by our own government," Mike Townsend, chief executive of the Newlyn-based Cornish Fish Producers' Organisation, said.
David Scott, chairman of

the National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations, based in Grimsby, said: "Time after time we commit ourselves to looking at new fisheries and time after time the politicians, egged on by illinformed environmentalists,

Mr Curry said the con-cession to the French had been necessary to get agreement.
"Nothing is giving fishermen scape. a worse image with the public
The measures take effect than the drift-netting issue." Heart disease toll 'could be halved'

By THOMSON PRENTICE, MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

UP TO 70,000 people a year in Eight million people in 44 Britain could be saved from health districts of England and premature death due to heart disease if cardiologists were able to spend more time on prevention and early treat- sis, investigation and treatment, specialists said ment, according to the survey, yesterday.

At least 150 cardiologists

A reduction of nearly 50 per cent in the annual toll of about 165,000 such deaths was feasible by the end of the decade, Douglas Chamberlain, president of the British Cardiac Society, said.

However, the target was now beyond reach because of a shortage of heart specialists, and that shortage was due largely to the short-sightedness almost 30 years ago of the medical profession itself. Dr Chamberlain said.

A national survey published by the society in collaboration with the Royal College of Physicians shows that al-though Britain has one of the worst rates of heart disease in the world, there are seven times fewer cardiologists in the UK than in 20 European countries, and almost ten as long as a year to be seen by a times fewer than in America.

Wales do not have their own cardiologist to whom they can be referred for expert diagno-

are needed in addition to the present total of 388 to provide even a modest level of service which still would not match that in Western Europe," Dr Chamberlain said.

Professor Dame Margaret Turner-Warwick, president of the Royal College of Phy-sicians, said that the shortage was not a political issue and could not be laid at the door of any party. "The manpower debate has been going on for many years and we have to look at the role of the medical profession itself in our current Dr Chamberlain said that

too few cardiologists were struggling to cope with an overload of patients, many of whom had to wait up to two years for heart operations, and

Maxwell backs Davies against spying claims

the newspaper's sacked foreign editor Niek Davies yesagent and betrayed the whereabouts of Mordecai Vanunu Mr Davies had betrayed the to Mossad

He said Mr Davies had been dismissed only for lying to his editor about a visit to Ohio in 1985, but that the Mirror group would stand by him against the allegations.

Mr Davies initially denied meeting arms dealer Clarence Kaufman at his home in Ohio in 1985, a claim used by Seymour Hersh, the American author, to support allegations in his book. The Samson Option, that Mr Davies was involved in an arms dealing company along with Israeli agent Ari Ben-Menashe.

As Mr Davies was sacked yesterday, William Johnson, an American arms dealer. withdrew a denial he had made to the Daily Mirror about meeting Mr Davies, and said that they had met at Mr Kanfinan's bome to discuss a sale of weapons to Nigeria.

Mr Maxwell, asked on BBC and spagistrate, lists equal apportunities for women and Mr Davies was sacked, said the disabled among her inBecause regrettably, though terests. She will also be a we stand by the defence of him deputy to Jo Richardson on

Politician met agent in secret

From ROBERT COCKBURN

IN SYDNEY
A LEADING Australian politNewspapers ician admitted yesterday that he had had two secret meetings with Ari Ben-Menashe the self-styled former Israeli intelligence officer at the mission has upheld only 13 centre of the Mirrorgate affair. as part of an investigation into 253 received between June an alleged Australian link in and September. Ken Morgan, the Iran-Contra scandal. John Howard, the former

Liberal leader and now his party's industrial spokesman, told The Times that he had been given "absolutely fascin-ating" information by Mr Ben-Menashe, who claims to reprimanded. have been in an Israeli team involved with the United States in selling arms to Iran. Mr Howard's meetings with

Mr Ben-Menashe, kept quiet until yesterday, were in Sydney. "If you have found out, then I am not going to deny that," Mr Howard said. "I'm interested as an Australian parliamentarian in what he has to say, because they are, to say the least, interesting allegations. Obviously, if true, they would be very disturbing."

Mr Howard said that Mr Ben-Menashe had alleged that George Bush, the American president, visited Paris in October 1980, before the election of Ronald Reagan as president, to arrange the arms-for-hostages deal. "That was the most extraordinary [alleg-anon]." Mr Howard said. "I'd like to believe that Mr Bush is an honest man."

Mr Howard's main interest is in Mr Ben-Menashe's elaim that arms for Iran went through Labor-run Western Australia.

ROBERT Maxwell, publisher betrayed Vanunu, he lied to

of the Daily Mirror, defeoded the editor." He dismissed other allegations contained in the book: "I'm sure the terday, against allegations that Mossad allegations are sheer he was an Israeli intelligence rubbish and invention." He said that the claims that

whereabouts of Vanunu, an Israeli nuclear technician, while the latter was in England disclosing his story to The Sunday Times, had been confirmed by The Sunday Times as being a "he and a fabrication".

Labour post for woman

Sylvia Heal, victor in the Mid Staffordshire by-election, yesterday became the eleventh female member of Labour's front bench team when Neil Kinnock named ber as one of the party's junior spokesman on health.

Mrs Heal, a social worker

OMEN'S ISSUES: Dale Campbell-Savours, the MP for Workington since 1979, becomes a deputy to Ann Clwyd, who previously worked alone as Labour's spokesman on overseas aid (development and co-operation). Keith Bradley joins the social security team led by Michael Meacher.

obey rulings

the commission's director, said the results showed that newspapers were keeping the threat of direct government control at bay by refraining from repeating errors for which they had already been

Lord McGregor, the commission's chairman, gave a warning last month that deliberate flouting of commission rulings would lead the next government, whether Tory or Labour, to introduce statutory regulation.

German visit

THE Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh are to make their first state visit to a unified Germany next October, dur-ing her 40th year as monarch. The itinerary is likely to include parts of the former East Germany and Berlin.

CORRECTIONS

The picture described as being of Councillor Lady Anson in our feature on Life and Times on Monday ("What women want: a new manifesto") was in fact a picture of Lady Elizabeth Anson, the sister of the Earl of Lichfield. Lady Anson qualified as a barrister in 1952 and not 1974.

Roger Boyes' Warsaw Notebook (October 21) said that John Le Carré charged a Warsaw theatre £150 for each performance of Spy, 2 dramatis-ation of The Spy Who Came in From the Cold. The royalty finally negotiated by his German agent was in fact £26 a performance - the standard rate for Warsaw theatres. We apologise to Mr Le Carre for any implication of profiteer-

Campaign to preserve Dylan Thomas's home of Thomas, were willing to help the English department of the University bedroom was so small he had to walk outside to turn round. He wrote: "I first EVEN the wild, sad master poet of

Wales could not have dreamt in his wildest excesses of drink-laden death that one day former prime ministers and presidents would be willing to fight to preserve the bouse in which he was born. Although he wrote most of his poems in no 5 Cwmdonkin Drive, Swansea, Dylan Thomas did not appear to have much loved the Edwardian

period house, which is now on the market for £89,000. As a baby, when be cried, his father said "put the little bugger through the window" and as a yooth, Thomas wrote to a friend complaining that his

saw the light of day in a Glamorgan villa and, amidst the terrors of the Welsh accent and smoke of the timplate

stacks, grew up ..." Frank Jones, a farmer who bought the property in the "ugly, lovely town", said yesterday that he had decided to sell because he had had enough. He added: "The tourist board dismiss him as a boozer, but he was much, much

Last night Lord Callaghan of Cardiff

confirmed that he and his friend, the

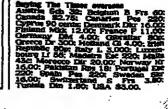
College of Swansea to raise money to preserve the building Lord Callaghan said: "I have spoken to former president Carter on the telephone and he is very keen on the idea."

Since he purchased the house eight years ago, Mr Jones says he has spent £30,000 on restoring it as a time capsule. Because of its connections, a premium of £15,000 has been added.

Thomas, who died in New York after a drinking spree in 1953, was always short of money. The asking price for the former US president Jimmy Carter, an house in which he was born we admirer of the work if not of the lifestyle been beyond his imagination. house in which he was born would have



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Libel court told of actor's humiliation

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lously easy to answer: is Ken Barlow of Coronation Street

really boring?
The actor, Bill Roache, who has played the much derided Barlow since Coronation Street was conceived 31 years ago, is suing The Sun for libel because an article printed last November alleged that he was as boring in real life as his character was on screen.

Mr Roache said in court yesterday that he had been "devastated and humiliated" to read the article, which alleged that he was boastful, smug and self-satisfied, and had often come close to being fired from the series.

He had experienced a moment of "real horror" when he read a bold headline saying that he was "hated by the

Charles Gray, QC, that he had sued over only part of the article because the rest "raked up things in my past" the details of which he did oot want to go over for the sake of his family

tied the bar of Coronation Roache, who was neither

A HIGH Court jury is ex- turn, as members of the cast pected to spend the next five filed instead into court 13 at days considering a question that 16 million television the Strand. Autograph hunt-viewers might think ridiculously easy to answer is Ken had a field day as stars of the Street took turns in the witness box to tell the jury what a good bloke Ken Barlow really Betty Driver, who has

played Betty Turpin, the barmaid at the Rover's Return, for 22 years, told the jury that Bill Roache was "the least boring person I've ever met in my life". Miss Driver said that Mr

Roache was her best frieod. She was godmother to his son. To call him smug was ludicrous and to say he was self-satisfied was "absolute rubbish". He was, she said, "just lovely", "a very, very capable actor", and "very dedicated". If any of the cost dedicated". If any of the cast were in difficulties they would congregate in Mr Roache's room. He was one of the most loved people among the cast.

Johnny Briggs, who, as the Street's sharp southerner Mike Baldwin, enjoyed an onscreen love affair with Ken Barlow's oow estranged wife, Deirdre, said that he had s family. oever heard anyone say any-The trial has already emp-thiog detrimental about Bill



The actor William Roache, alias Ken Barlow of Coronation Street, leaving court yesterday with his wife, Sara

ing. Io spite of their screen rivalry, in real life, he told the court, he and Mr Roache were he had had five roles over the the best of friends and golfing

Jury is expected to judge the boredom rating of Coronation Street character

Michael Le Vell, who as the actor". unemployed mechanie Kevin Webster lives next door to the Mr Roache helped him as a Rover's, rated Mr Roache's new recruit to cope with professional ability "100 per cent" and said: "I've always found him the most genuinely Street's pub, the Rover's Re- smug nor self-satisfied, and approachable person." Bill

to die,

QC says

By PAUL WILKINSON

Keith Iremonger, aged 58,

Waddington, best known as satisfied, Mr Waddington re-fierce worker". the Street's know-all busyplied: "Can I put Bill Roache body, Percy Sugden, said that into one word? He is a Ken Irwin, who was described gentleman."

years but considered Bill Finally, Amanda Barrie, Roache "far beyond me as an Mr Waddington said that technical rehearsals and was hateable man." She said that "very supportive". As to be was one of the nicest and thought it was a motor bike". whether he thought Mr most professional actors she Roache was smng or self- had ever played with and "a today.

tral funding.

The Sun's article, written by as "a Street insider from the start", claimed that Bill who plays Ken Barlow's Roache was "universally nick-present girl friend, the cafe named BKB - Boring Ken owner Alma Sedgewick, said: Barlow". The witnesses from "Bill Roache is the last person the cast said thatthey had anyone would hate. He's oot a never heard of it. Mr Waddington commented: "I

However, the report is un- each project received about thieves to neighbouring dislikely to still criticism from £240,000 a year, regardless of tricts. That, they say, further

Labour and some criminolo- the size of the town or city it backs their arguments for

gists that the programme, to served, "Birmingham has 171 more widespread preventive

Home Office-appointed of- Hartlepool, which has 17 estates on Birmingham's

ficials who run the projects are police beats and a population southern margins, where res-

Judy Clements, co-ordin- that efforts to curb property homes, and efforts are being

ator of Birmingham Safer offences in ooe area can made to improve leisure

receive £7.1 million from the police beats and a population campaigns.

Judicial review ruling a test for NHS trusts

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

granted leave for a judicial consulted, including the local review nver a health authority. authority's alleged failure in Mr Jus procedures in setting up as an NHS trust.

Rochdale metropolitan borough's application against Rochdale health authority is the first case of its kind and could have implications for

other trust applications.

The council argues that the authority did not provide tinn that the consultation enough financial information procedure fullnwed by the in its consultation documents tn allow the public to assess whether an adequate level of health care could be provided.

Under government guidelines prospective trusts have authority to carry out proper to provide broad financial information in their applicatinns, including the unit's financial strategy, and cost implications of staffing and infirmatinn systems.

Mnre detailed information nn income and expenditure has in be suhmitted separately to the NHS management executive.

Fullowing cnncern expressed by the Communs health committee early this summer, all successful trust applicants will in future have to publish three-year husiness plans, but not until the mnnth before they become established as self-governing hospitals.

Anthony Scrivener, QC, for the Lancashire council, said that the case raised the questinn of whether financial details of the Rochdale trust project should be made avail-

The project has now spread

to three crime-ridden council

idents are receiving grants to

Project organisers accept improve the security of their

A COUNCIL was yesterday able to those who had to be

Mr Justice Hodgson defollow proper consultatinn cided there was a case for an application for review and a provisional date for a full hearing has been fixed for

December 16.

Rochdale council is nnw seeking court orders quashing the health authority's decision not to release certain financial informatinn, and a declarahealth authority was in breach nf provisions nf the 1990 National Health Service Care

The council will also apply for an order firring the health revealing details of the trust business plan to the council.

The health department said yesterday that the health authnrity had made all the necessary informatinn available. "The Rochdale health care trust gave three full months for consultation and followed the guidance nn the amnunt of financial information required in their applicatinn document" a health department spokesman said.

Gloria Oates, the chief executive of the health authority, said that the authority had fulfilled all the criteria on coosultation. "The application document had a section on finance, including income and expenditure accounts," she added.

David Williams, ehairman of Rochdale's shadow health board and nne of the main figures behind the actinn, said he was delighted with yesterday's decisinn, "Our argument is that the consultation process was meaningless," he

"We argued in court that it was flawed in that we did not have access to the business plan and as such could oot make any sort of judgment about the level of health care available in Rochdale. We want them to give us a business plan."

Rochdale was given approval in principle last mooth to become a trust in April 1992 peoding the outcome of the application for a judicial



Survivor: Alexandra Dixon, who was carried to safety after being gored by an elephant in Kenya

Elephant attack hero honoured

By ALAN HAMILTON

tusks of a matriarchal ele- eyes with his hands. He then phant was decorated with the carried Miss Dixon 300 yards Queen's Gallantry Medal at to safety. Buckingham Palace yesterday.

footing and the elephant gnred me. It was an act of very her, tossed her io the air and considerable bravery which was about in kneel on her and undnubtedly saved my life."

A CAMBRIDGE zoologist gore her again when Dr who saved a colleague from Thouless threw stones at the being gored to death nn the animal and beat it between the

After the presentation by Christopher Thnuless, of the Queen, Dr Thouless, who the Worldwide Fund for Na-returns to Kenya today, re-ture, and Alexandra Dixnn, called the elephant attack. "I head of the overseas conserva- was quite frightened, but there tion programme at London was nothing else I could do," zoo, both aged 31, were tracking elephants in Kenya in October last year when Miss and is back at work at Regent's Dixnn was charged by a three- Park, said: "I had given up tun female. She lost her wheo Dr Thouless rescued

At an inquest nn Mr Iremonger, Robert Shacklock had given evidence that he had last seen him alive on a Thursday night and found him dead at Saturday lunchtime.

girl aged 13.

"It became apparent that the three defendants had come to some agreement to hide what had happened," Mr Seagroatt said.

left for something like 37

father was depressed, upset

hours and finally died."

The three have pleaded not guilty to conspiracy to pervert the course of justice. The Shacklocks have also denied manslaughter and Mr Shacklock has denied committing perjury at the inquest.
The hearing continues

Crime initiative hailed as success

government this year, is of around one million, yet we

under-funded. 'Many of the get roughly the same grant as

By QUENTIN COWDRY HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

A FALL of 39 per cent over two years in the number of recorded burglaries no a Wolverhamptoo housing estate will be among of batch of statistics cited by ministers today as evidence that their also calling for increased cen- of under 90,000," she said. "safer cities" anti-crime programme is working.

had changed his will in his The programme, launched ator of Birmingham Safer offences in ooe area can made to improve in 1988, is the flagship of the Cities, said it was absurd that simply divert burglars and car facilities for children. daughter's favour only seven weeks previously, Conrad Scagroatt, QC, for the pro-Home Office's attempts to tackle crime by forging secution, told Nottingham partnerships between local probatioo service, industry Cheryl Shaeklock and her and community groups. Achusband Robert, both aged 38. cording to a report published and a oeighbour, Patrick Kendrick, found Mr Ireby the department today, the

initiative is beginning to achieve small, but measurable, reductions in crime in some areas. He had taken a mixture of

Among the successes noted are a 39 per cent drop in recorded burglaries between 1988 and 1990 on the Lunt They decided to leave him there to die," he said. "He was hnusing estate, Wnlverhamp-ton; a 9 per cent fall in car crime in 1990 in a large multi-Mr Scagroatt said that the storey car park in Notting-ham; and a 9 per cent fall in and lonely after a 16-year relationship had come to an recorded crime in the second end. He also faced charges of quarter of 1991 in Birmingindecent assault involving a ham city centre. The report also claims that the initiative has led to a drop in fear nf crime in parts of the 16 cities

covered by the programme. Ministers said last night that the report indicated that the government's new emphasis on "multi-agency" approaches to tackling crime held nut the best hope of reducing offending, though they accepted that the sucesses were limited

John Patten, Home Office minister of state, said last night: "The home secretary and myself are very pleased with these first emerging results of concentrated local community action against crime. We intend to develop the programme."

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Aussies kick Tebbit test into touch

NORMAN Tebbii will have his work cut out at Twickenham nn Saturday rounding up fickle Australians. None of the thnusands of Australians whn have made Britain their home is planning to support England against the Wallabies.

Mr Tehhit invented a nuvel nationality test, originally linked to cricket: when it comes in the crunch, which icam dn ynu support? "I'll risk Norman Tehbit." said Rnn

Clarke, the Australian lnng-distance runner who is now managing director nf a chain of London sports clubs and has been living in England for nearly a decade. The writer and televisinn presenter Clive James also fails the Tebbit test. "I don't really support countries, I support people. I support Campese, and I'm glad to see that the rest of the Australian team does too," he

Many Australians, possibly fearful of Tebbit's wrath, have fled the country. Barry Humphries is in Los Angeles, Rulf Harris is playing his wobble-board

somewhere in Australia; the actor Keith Michel is in Canada; Rupert Murdoch is in America; and the cricket commentator Ritchie Benaud is wintering at Sydney's Channel 9. Bruce Gyngell. the chief of TV-Am, is still in London, but a spokeswoman said: "He's too busy sorting out TV-Am's future to watch rugby nn television."

Bruce Matthews, chairman of Satellite Informatinn Services, which hrings horse racing to betting shops, and the former managing director of News International, publishers of *The Times*, said: "I've been here since the early 1970s and I'm certainly vigorously supporting Australia. I expect them to

win by ten points."

Dee Nnlan, the Australian-born editor of Metropolitan Home magazine and a London resident for 12 years, said: "There is no way I'd pass the Norman Tebbit test. My husband is English and mad keen on rugby. We're both going to the match on Saturday. But we're sitting separately."

David Looker, president of Austra-lian Business in Europe, advises calling off the search. "When it comes to sport, every Australian living in London fails the Norman Tebbit cricket test, and Mr Looker is worried that few

Australians know their national anthem. He wants them to learn it so that they can give their team a boost. In the spirit of fair play, we publish here the words of Advance Australia Fair. Australians all, let us rejoice, for we are

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Waltzing Matilda instead.

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Police chief blamed over Hillsborough retires early

By PETER DAVENPORT

THE senior officer in charge was too ill to continue as a of police at the Hillsborough police officer. "I quite underfootball stadium when 95 stand that the bereaved rel-Liverpool supporters were atives and friends will be killed in a crush on the angry at my decision, since it terraces is to be retired from rules out Mr Duckenfield's the force on health grounds, it was disclosed yesterday. He disciplinary tribunal for which will not face a planned disciplinary tribunal.

MEDNENDAY.

enfield, aged 48, who was Duckenfield has become the criticised for his conduct on symbolic focus of much of the the day by the official report anguish felt by those who were into the disaster, was suspended from his post when Lord Justice Taylor's interim the symbol." findings were published in August, 1989, four months after the deaths.

Relatives of the victims said last night that they felt yes-terday's decision had cheated them of justice.

Richard Wells, the new chief constable of South Yorkshire police, said that Mr Duckenfield was suffering from depression and posttraumatic stress disorder and



Duckenfield; will not face a disciplinary tribunal

involvement in the planned inary tribunal.

Chief Supt David Duck-months," he said. "David

must deal with the man, not

Mr Wells, who took over the force after the retirement of Peter Wright, the chief constable at the time of the disaster, said that Mr Duckenfield was another victim of the Hillsborough tragedy. He said that his decision was taken after "careful consideration" of a report from the police staff surgeon, an independent physician.

Philip Hammond, of the. Hillsborough Families Support Group, whose son aged 14 was among those who died, said: "We feel we have been eheated of justice. David Duckenfield was the man to blame because he was in overall charge. How he could be suspended at first, and then only go off sick when disciplinary charges were brought,

The chairman of the group, Trevor Hicks, whose two daughters died, echoed the feeling of injustice, but said the group had to accept that Mr Duckenfield was ill.

Decision will renew discipline debate

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

CHIEF Supt Duckenfield's the pension for 30 years' early retirement with a pension comes at a time when the be index linked. Home Office is considering Critics of the discipline new guidance to chief con- system say the present regulastables on discipline proce- tions allow officers facing dures for officers with medical problems. The decision to tion by producing medical allow the South Yorkshire evidence. The need for change officer to leave will almost certainly renew the debate over the discipline procedure.

The average pension for an officer of Mr Duckenfield's discipline hearing rank in his circumstances year. He could cash a quarter of his entitlement, giving him a £86,000 lump sum and £17,250 a year.

The pension is enhanced because Mr Duckenfield is leaving the police through ill health. Although he has chief medica served 28 years he will draw officer's GP.

discipline to escape examinawas raised after Scotland Yard agreed in 1988 to allow Detective Supt Tony Lundy to resign rather than face a

The Home Office has alwould be about £23,000 a ready issued some guidance reminding forces that they can seems to have recovered. Now new guidance is on the way which calls for chief constables to seek a third medical opinion beyond the force's chief medical officer and the

Children's officer 'not gay'

By DAVID YOUNG

THE former social worker at the centre of allegations that sex abuse had taken place at the Leicestershire children's homes he ran denied yesterday that he was a

Frank Beck, aged 49, was giving evidence at a Leicester Crown Court trial, where he denies 27 charges of physical and sexual abuse.

The trial judge earlier this week ordered the withdrawal of five other charges, three of huggery and two of assault occasioning actual bodily harm. He said that the prosecution evidence could not justify verdicts.

Mr Beck yesterday told the jury at the start of the trial's seventh week that he was not gay. He had served nine years in the Royal Marines and would have been thrown out had he been involved in homosexuality.
He denied allegations made

during prosecution evidence that he had been an interrogator and boasted about tor-turing prisoners or others. After leaving the marines he had a variety of jobs before he worked at a Leicester probation hostel for a year and with Northamptonshire social services for another 12 months.

After completing a two-year course, he was put in charge of the Poplars children's home in Market Harborough in 1973,

when he was 31. Two of Mr Beck's former deputies. George Lincoln, aged 39, of Sudbury, Suffolk, and Peter Jaynes, aged 42, of Chatham, Kent, deny a total

The trial continues.

Traditions win Punch title fight By PETER DAVENPORT

IT IS not every day that some one can win a British champ ionship aided by dexterity however, Mikei Dee did just

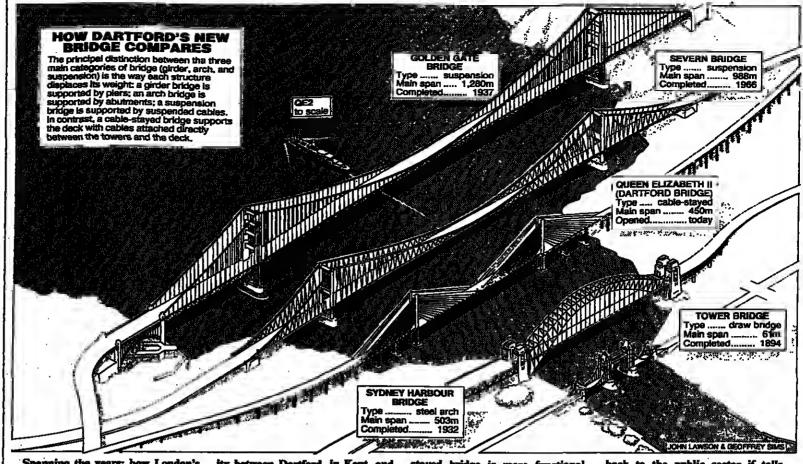
that The swazzei is the tiny device, details of which are a trade secret, held in the mouth to give the distinctive voice of a Punch and Judy professor. Because it is hard to master, many in striped booths have forsaken the swazzel, to the

dismay of traditionalists. Yesterday, the fifth British Punch and Judy championships were held at Patrington, near Hull, with extra marks given for use of the swazzel. Geoff Barry, the organiser, said: "Some professors cheat and say they use a swazzel, but don't it is very difficult to master and many people end up swallowing them. But we want to encourage Punch and Judy to continue in the trad-itional manner so we decided to pay special attention to the use of the swazzel this year." Six of Britain's estimated 150 "professors" vied to be national champion. Each did

12 minutes before six judges and an audience of 300. Mikel Dee, aged 50, of Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, triumphed despite having woken up yesterday to

find that thieves had stolen his new car with his puppets and his booth. Mr Dee won with borrowed equipment, but his own swazzel.

"Details of just what a swazzel is are a closely guarded secret handed down in families," he said. "I can say that it took me 18 months to master how to use one.



Spanning the years: how London's Queen Elizabeth II Bridge, to be opened to traffic by the Queen compares with its more illustrious counterparts. The bridge, which is the first to be built downstream of the City of London ince Tower Bridge in 1894, will double existing river crossing capac-

ity between Dartford, in Kent, and Thurrock, Essex, to 130,000 vehicles a day in each direction, and will help to ease one of the most notorious traffic bottlenecks on the M25. It is the largest cable stayed bridge in Europe and cost £120 million. Although closely related to the suspension bridge, the cable-

stayed bridge is more functional, less elegant and significantly cheaper. The new bridge is the first large-scale infrastructure project this century to be wholly financed by the private sector. The consortium of backers has a 20-year lease from the transport department to operate the bridge which must be handed

back to the public sector if tolls cover construction costs sooner than expected. Only southbeund traffic will use the four-lane bridge, and tolls will be the same as for northbound traffic in the two Dartford tunnels: 80p for cars, £1.30 for two-exie lorries and £2.10 for articulated lorries.

Wrens to remain at sea, says admiral

By MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

THE decision to send Wrens to sea is irreversible, in spite of a number of "titillating" stories appearing in newspapers, Admiral Sir Julian Oswald, chief of naval staff, said yesterday.

He said that he fully supported the decision to allow women on Rnyal Navy warships, and that the advantages

Since the announcement in February last year that the traditional ban on women at sea was to end, 250 Wrens have served on board ships, all of them converted to allow separate sleeping quarters and showers for the Wrens.

Sir Julian praised the "first class" performance of the Wrens on HMS Brilliant dur-ing the Gulf conflict, on which 20 Wrens, 16 ratings and four officers, served.

A number of navy wives have elaimed that their husbands would be tempted to form relationships with Wrens. Sir Julian said, however, that the decision to send women to sea was the right one. "We had to go down this road and the decision is totally

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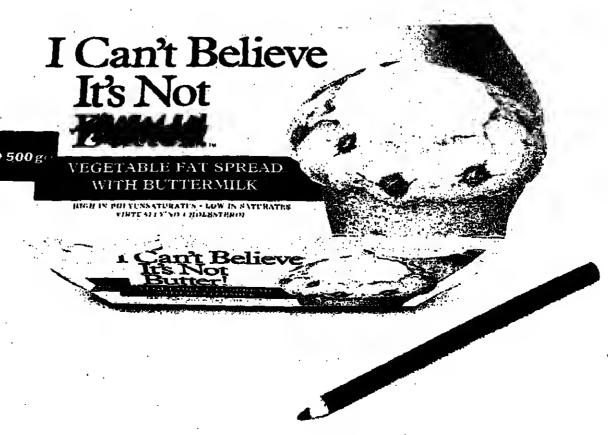
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Ownership wrangle as stolen Renoir turns up in Japan

By Sarah Jane Checkland, art market correspondent

A £450,000 Renoir painting stolen from the Bond Street gallery Wildenstein four years ago in what was called the 'fishing line theft" has turned up at the gallery's Tokyo branch, leading to a dispute over who owns it.

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Had the painting, A Vase of Flowers, surfaced in this country, there would be oo questioo that the rightful owners would be the Lloyds underwriters who reimbursed Wildenstein for its loss. Under Japanese law, however, title can be passed oo in respect of stolen goods purchased in good faith. The insurers and the present possessor are oow locked in a civil dispute over

The saga began on April 4, man spoke of the painting 1987, shortly after Van Gogh's Sunflowers fetched the world knew exactly what they record of £24 million, and wanted," he said. record of £24 million, and flower paintings were all the rage. A policeman on night patrol in Bond Street spotted a hole in the window of the Wildenstein gallery. There was oo alarm or immediate signs of disturbance. However, a display easel 12ft

inside the window was empty.
The only feasible theory for the theft, according to detectives, was that the painting, which measures 14 by eight inches, was "fished" out of the window with a rod and hook so thin that they could not be detected by the security system. A Scotland Yard spokes-

title is established." The insurers appointed an investigator, who discovered that the painting may have passed through Switzerland oo its way to Japan. Switzerland is another country in which title can pass if a sale takes place in good faith.

being stolen to order. "They

Nothing was heard of the

painting until last month

and asked for a valuation.

Staff asked him to leave the painting with them for inspec-

Michael Payton, solicitor

with Clyde and Co, which

represents the Lloyds under-writers, said: "The man said he was acting for a finance company, which had been asked to advance money on it.

We got a court order for the

picture to be impounded while

tion, and notified Interpol.

Wildenstein staff assume that the painting must have changed bands since the theft, because the present possessor of the painting would never have taken it into Wildenstein's knowing it to have been stolen.

Mr Payton is optimistic that the underwriters will recover their money. "There are oo legal issues," he said. "There is no indication that the persoo who handed the painting to the finance company is going to claim it." However, the Civil Code of Japan, 1972, in which the country's laws are enshrined, says that title for stolen goods can pass if the object is bought "in good faith and without negligence". According to Article 194, "the injured party or the loser cannot recover the thing unless he reimburses the pos-sessor for the price of it".



The one that got away: Renoir's A Vase of Flowers

Kuwaitis launch poppy appeal

THE Last Post echoed around walls hanging with portraits of the Kuwaiti royal family yesterday as the Royal British Legion poppy appeal was launched oo foreign soil for the first time in its 70-year history.

British Gulf commanders and veterans assembled at the Kuwaiti emhassy, London, to watch Ghazi Al-Rayes, the Kuwaiti ambassador, unveil a plaque dedicated to British servicemen who fought to free his country.
"British soldiers died in

the fight to liberate Kuwait.

They left a part of them-

selves in our hearts," he said,

asking those present to remember also more than 2,000 of his countrymen being held bostage in Iraq.

Archie Hamilton, the armed forces minister, who laid a wreath beneath the plaque, said funds raised by the appeal would be needed to help servicemen who fell victim to imminent cuts in the armed forces. "That, too, will produce many difficulties in terms of resettlement of our servicemen and we know we can count on the Royal British Legion to

play a very important role in that as well," he said. The poppy appeal raised nearly £13 million last year, enabling the legion to help more than 100,000 people, veterans of this century's wars and conflicts and their



Paying tribute: Ghazi Al-Rayes, the Kuwaiti ambassador, at yesteray's ceremony

Computer will jog solicitors' memories

By Frances GIBB LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE rising cost to solicitors of bailing out dishonest or incompetent colleagues has led to the creation of a company that aims to capitalise on solicitors' abysmal record in

remembering key dates. The company, Professional Memories, is a computerised memory service that aims to cut the cost of negligence claims arising from missed dates, and papers being lodged "out of time". The fnunder, Clement Noel,

consultant with his former law firm in Surrey, said: "The aim is to make it impossible for solicitors to overlook a vital date, and not to be dependant on the availability and continuity of trained staff. It is a fact of life that most solicitors forget a vital date on some occasion in their

Research indicated that about 60 per cent of negligence claims were time claims, he said. This year, the cost of professional indemnity in-surance in England and Wales is due to rise by more than 34 per cent, with the indemnity fund paying out £120 million. Under Mr Noel's scheme, which is backed by a £2 million indemnity policy from Sun Alliance, solicitors pay a fee of £22, inclusive of VAT. and receive two recorded

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Fake nurse tries to steal baby

Police are searching for a woman who posed as a ourse to try to take a oewborn baby from the John Radcliffe hos-

pital, Oxford. The woman, aged about 30 and wearing what appeared to be a nurse's uniform, walked into a single room in the hospital's maternity uoit and asked to take the two-day-old baby from its mother, aged 23, who became suspicious and alerted staff.

Police questioned staff yesterday but confirmed that none was near the room wheo the attempt was made.

Nimmo banned The actor Derek Nimmo was fined £200 and banned from driving for 12 mooths by Plymouth magistrates after admittiog to drink driving.

Pit bull attack

Michael Pryer, a police con-stable aged 31, had 36 stitches in his face after being attacked by a pit bull terrier in West Ham, east London.

Noise curb

An unise abatement notice has been issued against a police station in Cardiff after residents complained of barking from stray dogs kept there.

Oil tanker leak Thousands of gallons of crude oil leaked from a tanker at Caovey Island, Essex.

Paper boy dies A newspaper boy aged 14 died after being hit by a car in Shirley, Hampshire. Milk marketing

Reply to monopoly abuse charge due

By Michael Hornsby, agriculture correspondent

formal warning from Brussels interest in a dairy that does so, that the Milk Marketing are under no legal obligation Board is abusing its monopoly to sell to the board. powers. Unless John Gum-Brussels has inter-

European Court of Justice. "reasoned opinioo" from operative, a proposal that has Raymond MacSharry, the sharply divided dairy farmers. European agriculture commissioner, setting out the case against the board about a their own milk and selling mooth ago, and should have direct to customers, have replied by Friday. He asked been warned by the board that for more time to take legal

in England and Wales and sell annually in negotiation with the Dairy Trade Federation.
Although those monopoly powers received the European Commissioo's blessiog after Britaio joined the European Community in 1973, their legal interpretation is now

being challenged. The oub of the dispute is the commissioo's argument that semi-skimmed or low-fat milk, which now accounts for 40 per cent of the British milk market, is a processed product daily milk collection and a and falls outside the board's monthly cheque from the powers. It argues that farmers board.

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About 300 rebel farmers, who have been skimming their producer licences could be withdrawn if they do oot advice and to consult the concerned parties.

At stake is the board's exclusive right to buy milk levy should they cootinue to from the 30,000 dairy farmers sell milk directly. The deadline for signing the agreements it to processors at prices fixed expired on Monday. The annually in negotiation with board said that a "significant proportion" of the rebels had

> Critics of the milk marketing scheme say that it is has stifled innovation, allowing continental dairy products to take a growing share of the British market, and depressed returns to farmers while keeping the consumer price of milk higher than it need be. Many small farmers in remote areas. however, value the security of

Fish warms to Scots offering

By KERRY GILL

GLOBAL warming may be to blame for an invasion of Scottish waters by sharp-toothed trigger fish, which can mucch their way through shellfish, wreak havoc among salmon nn fish farms and devour an underwater thermometer with a single bite.

Trigger fish usually fre-quent the warm Mediterranean, so scientists are baffled as to why they should swim all the way to the chilly Scottish west coast. It may, they think, be due to global warming and the meals available once there.

More than 20 of the fish have been detected in recent months, and this week the Sea Life Centre, near Oban. was given a trigger found to a



Trigger fish: preys on shellfish and farm salmon

fisherman's creel off Muli. It joined several other examples being studied at the

Triggers grow to about 12 ioches and have erect spines on a dorsal fin with which they wedge themselves into

crevices. Once they enter a creel or a salmon cage, their shape makes it difficult for them to escape. Terry Donovan, of the Sea

Life Centre, said: "It's very unusual to find them this far oorth. We don't know the explanation, although there are all sorts of theories, including global warming."

Trigger fish can be found in the warmer seas off the south coast of England in mmer, but tend to remain in the Mediterranean. When the presence off Scotland of the first trigger was reported, it was thought that it had become lost

However, with so many having been seen, it is believed that they are attracted by warmer water in the North Atlantic drift. Once they arrive off western Scotland, noted for its hundreds of fish farms and lobster fisheries, it seems that there



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US gets of steree

From Charles B

WITH a sea of artificial blood and fancy dress, worth \$750 million, America celebrates Hallowe'en tomorrow, a night that has least in the past ten years from a children's feast to accuse for adult revelop that is close to eclipsing one year and Christman combined.

The Hallowe'en manna which last sear sparked riots in Greenwich Village and has led to widespread arson in Detroit in recent years, is seen as part of a new crase for the gothic which in turn springs from a clash between lattericals increasingly violent, seen-tar societs and its old-fashioned managers.

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Hanoi accepts boat-people deportations

Hong Kong pledges to avoid using force

BRITAIN and Vietnam yesterday signed an agreement to allow the deportation of tens of thousands of Vietnamese boat-people from Hong Kong, despite fears of an international outcry if force has to be used against them.

Senior Hong Kong officials promised to do their best to avoid resorting to force, emphasising the need for an "orderly and dignified return to Vietnam". They gave a warning however, that boat-people would be sent back with or withnut their consent.

Kong's secretary for security, said Vietnam had guaranteed that nobody deported under the agreement would face persecution. He said Vietnam continue to allow United Nations refugee officials to monitor the conditions of people sent home.

Under the agreement, any boat-people arriving in Hong Kong after last night will undergo the much criticised screening process, jumping the queue of 40,000 people already awaiting the process in the colony's crowded detention centres. Those thought backers" who have not volunnot to be genuine political teered to go home. Mr Asprey refugees could be returned to said he thought the whole Vietnam withio six weeks.

return of the nearly 20,000 two to three years. boat-people already rejected for political refugee status be sent back is small. Since the over the past three years are end of the sailing season last still being worked out with month only a few boatloads of



Alistair Asprey, Hong ed with people they cannot absorb. But Mr Asprey insisted Hanoi had agreed to the principle of returning them against their will if necessary.

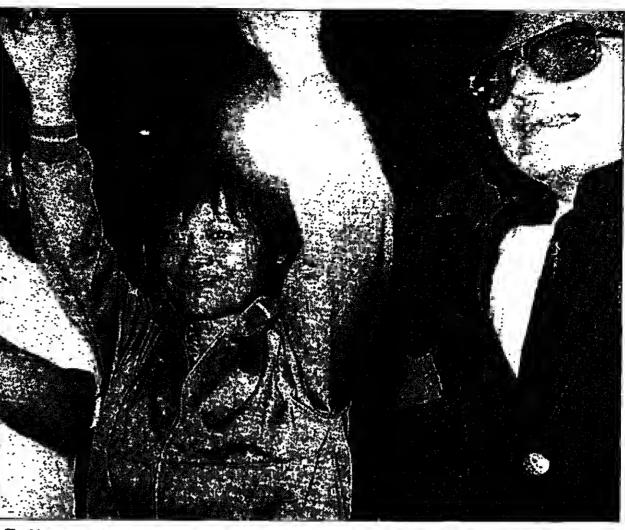
The new agreement, signed in Hanoi by Peter Williams, the British ambassador, goes further than the limited accord signed with Vietnam last week giving the go-ahead for the deportation of a small number of boat-people who have returned to Hong Kong for a second time. The Hon Kong government still hopes next month to repatriate the first of the 200 or so "doublepopulation of the camps could Exact arrangements for the be sent home over the next

The initial number likely to Vietnam, mainly to ensure people have reached Hong that its poverty strickeo northern provinces are not swamp- is established the government

of the detention centres. Recent British lobbying in Washington has failed to budge the United States from its "total opposition" to forced repatriation, but Mr Asprey made it clear the agreement was be-tween Britain and Vietnam and the deportations would go ahead despite American

Tension has been running high in the camps since news broke last month that agreement on compulsory deportation was close, provoking fears of a return to the violence that followed the last attempt at forced repetriation in December 1989. The international outcry that propoked scared Vietnam into changing its

By separating out the dou-ble backers and any new arrivals, officials are optimistic that they can avoid trouble among the long-stayers at least in the short term, hoping that by the time the repatriation programme gathers mo-mentum, most of them will be resigned to their fate.



Checking out in style: Xie Jun waving to spectators in Manila after becoming the women's world chess champion

Chinese becomes chess queen

By RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT XIE Jun, from China, has become the new world chess champion for women. By drawing the 15th game of her world chess championship challenge in Manila against the previous champion, Maya Chiburdanidze, from Soviet Georgia, Xie reached 81/2 points, which in match terms was unassailable. Chihurd-anidze finished on 61/2.

Xie, whose 21st hirthday is today, is the first postwar women's world chess champion not to come from the Soviet bloc. Indeed, she is the first Chinese chess player ever to win a world chess championship. Remarkably, she has won her world crown a year earlier than did Gary Kas-parov when, in 1985, he became the youngest men's champion at the age of 22.

In the international journament in Tilburg. The Netherlands, officially the highest-rated tournament ever, Kasparov holds the lead after nine rounds with seven points. Second place is held by the Indian, Viswanathan Anand. Britain's top-rated grandmaster, Nigel Short, is third.

America silent on deal

From Martin Fletcher in Washington

NEWS that Britain and Viet- icy of opposing forced repatridatory repatriation of the been pressing for.

long-standing American pol- Kong's camps.

nam had agreed to the man- ation to a communist country. American reaction to yes-Hoog Kong hoat-people terday's agreement on manbrought only a muted reaction datory return of refugees was from the Bush administration, crucial to its success. Washwhich was what the British ington's strong public government had privately condemnation of the forced repatriation of 51 boat people There was oo statement in 1989 led Hanoi to halt from either the White House further iovoluntary repatrior the State Department, ations, and a similiar reaction Pressed for a reaction, spokes- this time would probably have men merely reiterated the encouraged resistance in Hong

US gets to soul of stereotyping

WITH a sea of artificial The manual encourages blood and fancy dress worth \$250 million, America celebrates Hallowe'en tomorrow, a night that has leapt in the past ten years from a children's feast to an excuse for adult revelry that is close to eclipsing new year and Christmas

The Hallowe'en mania, which last year sparked riots in Greenwich Village and has led to widespread arson in Detroit in recent years, is seen as part of a new craze for the gothic which in turn springs from increasingly violent, secular society and its oldfashioned puritanism. But while the middle

classes are letting off pagan steam and revellers commit



their now traditional riots in the inner cities, the watchdogs of America's new ideology hope that at least the children will desist from playing with such "harmful sterentypes" as witches, ghouls and

What once seemed fun is now deemed damaging to minorities under the philosophy of the politically correct. "The Hallowe'en image of the witch - old, igly, wicked and dressed in black - reflects stereotypes of geoder, race and age. says a teachers manual published in Washington. This, it says, suggests that powerful women are evil, old womeo are ugly and that the colour black is evil.

teachers to tell children that witches were misunderstood, friendly types who helped people with herbal healing and midwifery and it suggests an essay oo good witches you know". Ghouls such as Dracula

or Frankenstein's monster are no better because they reinforce negative stereotypes about the handicapped and deformed, teachers across the country are telling their pupils. As for bats, the animal rights moveabout their negative image because the species is threatened with extinction

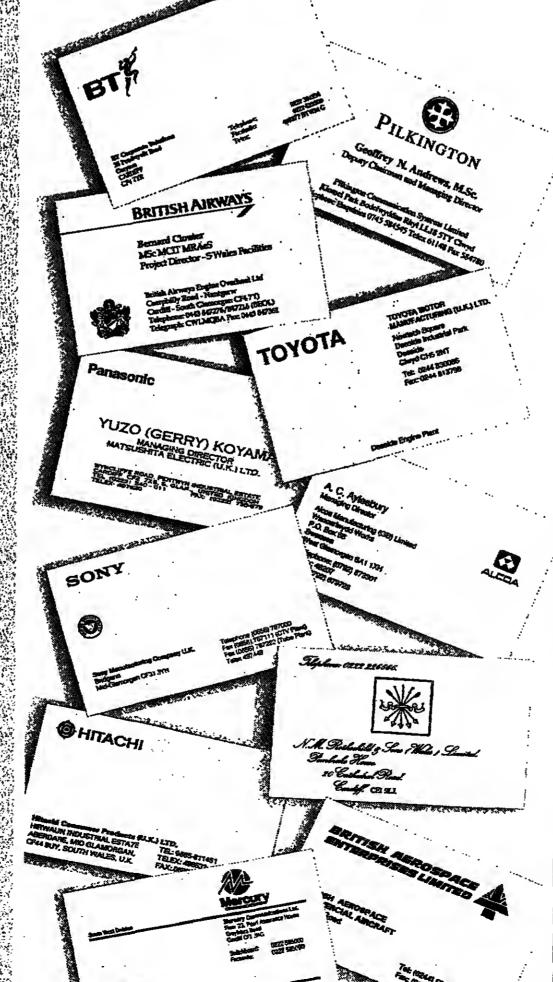
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Do not even mention
Freddy Kruger, the killer of the Nightmare on Elm Street series and all those heroes of the pop-gothic "slasher" or "splasher" films who have recently flooded America. These are, of course, prohibited by sensitive teachers. Even such old stand-bys for little girls as princesses are none too popular since they reinforce unhealthy notions of wealth and female pas-sivity. Thoughtful parents already know the correct answer to little boys who want to dress as violent ninja turtles, terminators or

On the other side of the

political fence, fundamentalist Christians are lying in wait for thoughtless toddlers who see Beelzehuh behind such copywrited he-roes as Casper the Friendly Ghost. And, beyond Halwarned of the dangers of Christmas stereotypes. A shopping centre in Colorado pioneered that field last year when it chased Santa Claus from its precinct on the ground that he represented body image". Next in line, say the experts, is the irresponsible promiscuity of the Easter hunny and the questionable psychosexual implications of Easter eggs

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Shamir and al-Husseini adopt conciliatory tone on eve of Madrid peace conference

Palestinians and Israel set aside brinkmanship

MAIN PLAYERS

ISRAELIS and Palestinians for a final settlement to begin appeared yesterday to aban- after the third year. Israel Palestinian independent state don the game of diplomatie envisages Palestinians enjoy- that will later join in a brinksmanship they have ing some rights to elect leaders confederation with Jordan." played over the past week, to run limited aspects of He was speaking after Israel instead displaying growing government such as edu- said it would not allow itself to flexibility on the eve of the cation, but it refuses to relin- be distracted from the peace Middle East peace conference. related areas such as defence

Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli prime minister, and Faisal al-Husseini, the most promioent Asked what Palestinians Lebanon, member of the Palestinian delegation in Madrid, made talks, Mr al-Husseini replied: conciliatory statements. If these are followed up in the next three days, they could provide the son of impetus needed to make the conference work.

Speaking at a press con-ference, Mr al-Husseini, who is barred from attending the talks hut is recognised as the leader of the Palestinian delegation, said that Palestinian negotiators would accept an interim autonomy plan in the occupied territories as long as the move would guarantee an independent state.

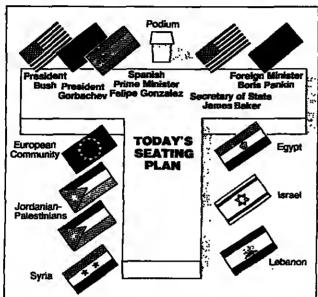
Although the concept of Palestinian statehood is rejected by Israel and opposed hy Washington, the fact that the Palestinians are willing to compromise and to try an interim solution could signal a substantial hreakthrough. Un-der proposals offered by the Israelis, the 1.8 million Palestinians living in the West Bank and Gaza Strip would be granted autonomy over a fiveyear period, with negotiations

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would aim for at the peace "Autonomy for an interim ing the talks in a joint delega-period that will move us tion with Jordan, said that he Palestinians from a people under occupation to a people

quish its control over security- conference by the recent of armed attacks against Israelis

Saeh Erekat, a member of the t4-member team attendhad "no doubt whatsoever that eventually there will be an



independent Palestinian

Mr Shamir, looking and sounding unusually optimistic for a leader who has until now displayed scepticism about the peace talks, yesterday emphasised the positive aspect of the conference and moderated his language when describing the violent incidents. "We do not wish to wait any longer for peace," he said before holding separate talks with President Gorbachev and James Baker, the American Secretary of State. "We truly believe that, if our counterparts have come here in the same spirit, our years of waiting will have come to an end." He described the attacks yesterday and on Monday as actions motivated by people

with a passion for blood",

who had responded to recent

calls to intensify attacks on

"Some might have ex-pected, in the face of this terror, Israel would not attend the conference," Mr Shamir, who will open tomorrow's session with the first speech by the countries directly involved in the Middle East conflict, said. "But despite this violence, our quest for peace is unrelenting. We believe that all who desire true peace should unite in condemning without reservation these unspeakable acts."

Bush meets Gorbachev, page 1 Chance for peace,page 16

Claire Ryan never expected her hesband

romantic impulse got the better of Nick

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allowed him to do just that, with one of his



is the arbane rinemaster of the eight Middle East journeys. His goal is to keep the Arabs Israelis talking long enough to change the climate and reach a breakthrough that still seems impossible.

PALESTINIANS



• Faisal al-Husseini, from east Jerusalem, is widely described as the real leader of the Palestinian delegation, but will not be at the negotiating table. In 1948 his father led Arab guerrilias against Jewish forces. Since the PLO is running the delegation, his absence is not significant.

SOVIET UNION

 James Baker, the American
 Boris Pankin, the foreign
 Secretary of State who, at 61, minister of the Soviet Union, the junior partner in a process being run on an equal basis with Washington in name key land-for-peace issue will nnly. The Soviet Union has too many domestic problems to traditional pro-Arab stance.

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• King Husain of Jordan, who faces the biggest problems at



· Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli

prime minister, whose decision

• President Assad of Syria, the talks. Kamel Abn Jaber, the talks. Kamel Abn Jaber, this new foreign minister, will represent him, and Jordan may yet be a catalyst for peace by agreeing to some form of Palestinian

A tough iourney in three stages

By RILLIARD BEESTON

AGENDA

TODAY'S opening session of the Middle East peace con-ference in Madrid is the first of a three-stage process aimed at resolving the Palestinian question and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Stage one is intended purely as a ceremonial three-day event, beginning today, with opening addresses by the two superpower hosts, Spain and the observers Egypt and the European Community. Tomorrow, Israel, its Arah neighbours and a delegation representing the Palestinians will each be given three-quarters of an hour to set out their positions before the negotiations start.

The second stage, which is due to begin early next week, will open the first bilateral talks between Israel and her traditional foes, Syria, Lebanon and a team representing Jordan and the Palestinians. The Arah states offer to rec-ognise Israel and conclude a peace agreement with the Jewish state in exchange for the withdrawal of all Israeli forces from the territories that they currently occupy.

Syria wants the return of the Golan Heights, captured by Israel in the 1967 six-day war. The Palestinians seek to create a state in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and Arah east Jerusalem. Beirut wants the withdrawal of all Israeli forces from the so-called security zone in southern Lebanon.

Israel has refused to withdraw from these territories. Instead, it offers Syria peace for peace with no land concessions, and the 1.8 million Palestinians in the occupied territories semi-autonomy. It has pledged to withdraw from Lebanon only when its security needs along the border are satisfied, and Syria and all other foreign forces have also pulled out of the country.

Stage three, due to begin in two weeks, is intended to tackle pressing regional problems such as water resources and arms cootrol and will include participants from Egypt, which has already made peace with Israel, and the Arab Gulf states, who do not share borders with Israel but have maintained a state of belligerency. But it is still oot whether Syma and some key Arab participants will progress is made in phase two.

 Paris: France said yesterday it was sending a special repre-sentative to the Madrid conference (John Phillips writes).

The foreign ministry named the envoy as Bernard Bajolet, its deputy director for North Africa and the Middle East. A spokesman said that France, supported by Italy, had insisted that a representative of each of the 12 EC member countries should accompany the Dutch delegate who is representing the community.

Jean-François Deniau, the deputy president of the foreign affairs commission in the national assembly, earlier described France's absence from the conference table as a "great setback for French diplomacy". France's exclusion from the peace talks marked the "obliteration" of the country on the Middle East diplomatic scene, accord-

Roland Dumas, the foreign minister, said Paris would participate directly at the Ma-drid conference if the French were required to use their close links to the region.

Kremlin makes

regional retreat

From MARY DEJEVSKY

THE opening of an international peace conference oo the Middle East, with the Soviet Union and the Uoited States as co-sponsors, should have been a highlight of Soviet

diplomacy and of President Gorbachev's career.
The call for such a conference has been a pillar of Soviet foreign policy for many years. Soviet co-sponsorship would appear to give Moscow and a say in its future. Thus, Moscow's political interests will be protected. Mr Gorbachev, moreover, will not only occupy an equal position with President Bush at the head of the table, but can elaim some personal credit for persuading Moscow's Arab friends to talk to Israel

And yet the moment of personal and national dip-lomatic triumph is not what it would have been even a year ago. Seen from Moscow, the Madrid conference seems very far away, and the Middle East only a little closer. Previews of the meeting occupied only a tiny proportion of the Soviet press yesterday - and those papers which did mention it gave it at most a 50-50 chance of success. Departing from Moscow's traditional pro-Arab stance, most were neutral in their analysis, noting the difficulty of reconciling the Arabs' land-for-peace policy with Israel's peace-for-

Part of the truth is that the significance of Middle East Cold War. Moscow's decision in side with the Western allies Soviet foreign policy abroad.

GORBACHEV

against Iraq and the allied victory in the Gulf war have made regional peace almost

Now, as successive visits to the region by Yevgeni Prima-kov, Mr Gorbachev's special envoy, have shown, the Middle East for Moscow has changed from being a region in which American influence must be curbed into a potential source of economic help. The countries with which Moscow needs good relations have changed from those strong in territory and military might, Syria and Iraq, to the oil-rich states of the Gulf.

But Moscow's interest in the opening of the conference is also reduced because Moscow is hardly a superpower any more, except in terms of nuclear capability, and is scarcely running a foreign policy. Moreover, there is hardly a Soviet state to celebrate a Soviet foreign policy triumph. Most outstanding foreign political questions appear either to have been handed over to the Soviet republics, or to have been claimed by them. Mr Gorbachev has been

reticent about how he sees the future of foreign policy. His response to Mr Bush's arms control initiative was a counter-initiative and could be classified as "defence" rather than "foreign policy" peace stance. A few even took His very silence on the subject suggests that his starring role at the opening of the con-ference and his first foray peace for the Soviet Union has outside the Soviet Union since declined with the end of the the August coup could be one of the last times be represents

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West Bank show goes live

Benjamin Netanyahu, the Israeli deputy foreign minister and media darling, discovered to his dismay on arriving in Madrid yesterday that he can no longer take for granted his title of champion television personality of the

Bibi , as he is known in Israel, has not lost any of his looks, nor his mastery of the TV "sound bite", which transformed him during the Gulf war from a junior minister into an international celebrity. Rather, the Arabs have a secret weapon: an ordinary looking, middle-aged, Palestinian mother of two from Ramailah on the West Bank. Yesterday, Hanan Ashrawi, a Christian Palestinian and professor of English literature at Bir Zeit University, began the first of many interviews planned

for this week and aimed at

turning the Middle East

conflict into something of a television duel against the Israeli side. Israeli officials are con-

fident that Mr Netanyabu will remain on top in the debate. "No one can beat Bibi at this game; that is why he is here today", said one diptomat. However, Mrs Ashrawi's firm but reassuring manner, articulate and unemotional arguments, her sense of humour, and sensible suits may be more in tune with the mood of Madrid than the more pugnacious style of her Israeli rival.

he propaganda battle is not the only aspect of Madrid where the Israelis appear to have come off second best. They also seem to have lost the first round to the Arabs in the allocation of hotels.

Senior delegates from Syria and Egypt have been

Palace Hotel, and the Lebanese, in characteristic fashion, have installed themselves at the most exclusive hotel in the city, the Santo Mauro. The Palestioians and Jordanians, while not enjoying similar luxury, none the less have been housed in Ernest Hemingway's old haunt, the Hotel

he Israelis, with their special security needs. have been located away from the other delegations at the Princesa, a modern concrete establishment that looks custom-built to withstand all manner of attack. However, it will hardly give the Israelis a good opportunity to enjoy the city.

The Soviet delegation

faces very different, financial, problems, which it is hoped might be smoothed over by American and





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THE TIMES WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 30 1991

Four die in southern Lebanon combat as Jew and Arab again rehearse long-standing hatreds

Hezbollah vows 'day of wrath,

From Adam Kelliher IN BEIRUT

Middle East peace talks, Jews and Arabs yesterday did battle as usual in southern Lebanoo, where four people died in combat. Among the dead were three Israeli soldiers. Fifteeo people were wounded, includ-ing five Israeli troops. The three soldiers died

when a bomb planted at the past eight days, and one Israeli side of the road exploded as air raid. On Monday night, they drove past in an army vehicle. The incident, northwest of the town of Marjayoun, was the second of its kind in less than ten days. The five injured soldiers were ambushed by Lebanese gunmen in a separate incident only two miles from the Israeli border in the early bours.

According to an army spokesman, shoulder-fired missiles and anti-tank grenades were fired at the patrol before the Israelis returned fire. In the ensuing battle, which lasted several bours, two gunmen were killed and another was captured. Israel said they belonged to a factioo of Islamie Jihad and had intended to attack a civilian target in Israel.

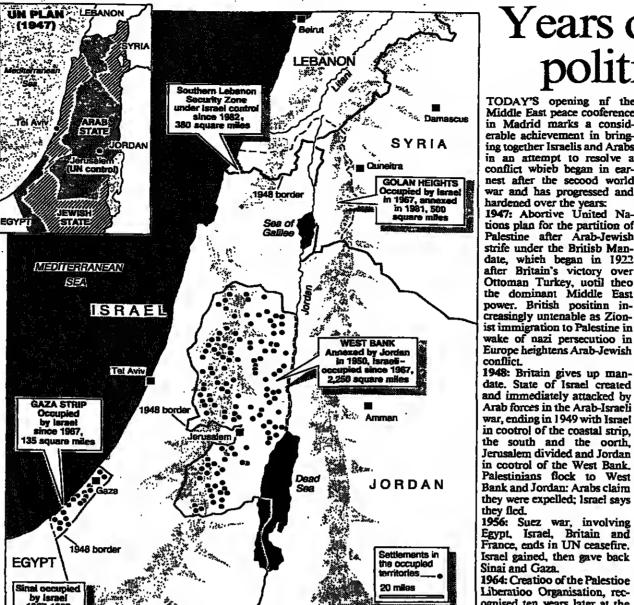
In Beirut yesterday, Sheikh Abbas Musawi, the secretary-general of Hezbollah, said there would be more guerrilla attacks to mark today as a Conor Craise O'Brien, page 10

ON THE eve of the Madrid "day of Islamic wrath" and to demonstrate his Iranianbacked group's fervent oppo-

sition to engaging in any peace talks with Israel.

In the run-op to the peace conference, there have been at least six attacks on the Israelis and their militia allies in the gunmen from a Palestinian extremist group opened fire on a busload of Jewish settlers in the West Bank, killing two and wounding six. The attacks are a clear indication that the Middle East's guns will oot be silent while the Arab and Israeli negotiators meet across the negotiating table in

One Israeli official yesterday laid some of the responsibility for the attacks on the Syrian and Lebanese governments which, he said, wanted to scuttle the Madrid talks. The unidentified official, quoted on the Voice of the South, a radio station run by Israel's proxy militia force, accused Syria of giving the goahead to guerrillas based in the Syrian-controlled Bekaa valley to attack Israel.



Years of conflict shape political landscape

Bank (Jordanian), Sinai and the Gaza Strip (Egyptian) as well as the Golan Heights

(Syrian, with a UN buffer

zone). Further flood of

Palestinian refugees. Golan

Heights annexed by Israel in

1970: King Husain of Jordan

expels the PLO after bitter

street fighting, dubbed "Black

September". PLO finds new

1973: Yom Kippur war breaks

out when Egypt attacks Israel

ceasefire and incooclusive Ge-

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makes historic trip to Jeru-

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treaty of 1979. Second part of

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base in Lebanon.

in Madrid marks a considerable achievement in bringing together Israelis and Arabs in an attempt to resolve a conflict which began in earnest after the second world war and has progressed and hardened over the years: 1947: Abortive United Nations plan for the partition of Palestine after Arab-Jewish strife under the British Man-

date, which began in 1922 after Britain's victory over Ottoman Turkey, uotil theo the dominant Middle East power. British positinn increasingly untenable as Zionist immigration to Palestine in wake of nazi persecutioo in Europe heightens Arab-Jewish

1948: Britain gives up man-date. State of Israel created and immediately attacked by Arab forces in the Arab-Israeli war, ending in 1949 with Israel in cootrol of the coastal strip, on its day of prayer and fasting. Initial Egyptian success followed by Israeli counter-attack, ending in UN the south and the oorth, Jerusalem divided and Jordan in ccotrol of the West Bank, Palestinians flock to West Bank and Jordan: Arabs claim they were expelled; Israel says 1977: President Sadat of Egypt 1956: Suez war, involving

France, ends in UN ceasefire. Israel gained, then gave back Sinai and Gaza.

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tative" of the Palestinians. 1982: Israeli invasion of Leba-PLO wages "armed struggle" against Israel. non in Operation Peace for Galilee, ending in 1985 with 1967: Six-day war waged by PLO expulsion to Tunis, ao Israeli withdrawal, and the Egypt, Jordan and Syria against Israel ends in Israeli establishment of an Israelivictory, with Israel gaining control of the while of Jerucontrolled "security zone" in southern Lebannn as a huffer salem and occupying the West

against attacks. 1987: Palestinian against Israeli occupation, the intifada, begins in the Gaza Strip and swiftly spreads to the West Bank. 1988: PLO for the first time

acknowledges Israel's right in exist and renounces terrorism. although acts of terror by splinter groups continue. 1989: Yitzhak Shamir, Israeli prime minister, formulates Israeli plan for Palestinian autonomy. America seeks to use that as basis for renewed peace process, but plao founders on problem of Palestinian representation and the questioo of Jerusalem. 1991: In the aftermath of the Gulf war against Iraq, during which Israel suffers Scud attacks but refraios from retaliation, America huilds on new regiooal aligoments and salem. Camp David peace changed Soviet role to per-accord oegotiated by Sadat suade Syria, Jordan, Lebanon and Israeli prime minister Menachem Begin, with Presi-Palestinian team acceptable to Israel formiog part of the lordanian delegation. The

Richard Owen, page 16

PLO is formally excluded.

Democracy in Africa

Mudslinging blots out issues in Zambia poll

By OUR FOREIGN STAFF

CAMPAIGNING has become dent's family. more intense and dirtier in advance of tomorrow's electioo in Zambia, its first multiparty poll to 27 years.

back seat as President Kaun- president exhorting his counda, aged 67, and Frederick trymen to "vote for your Chiluba, of the Movement for tested leadership". Bot, as the Multiparty Democracy, his articulate Mr Chiluba has maio rival, have engaged in pointed out, there are real increasingly bitter mudslinging. Dr Kaunda has depicted the rival party as "a bunch of dependence Party and his crooks". To reinforce his own, which draws support point, oo Sunday he released a from the unions, businesses list of 25 people, three of them and others in urban areas, says oppositioo candidates, implicated io drug dealing six omy, is opposed to subsidies years ago. The oppositioo has and spoon-feeding the masses, retaliated with attacks and and wants to privatise even inouendo aimed at the presi- Zambia's mainstay mining

sector and attract foreign investment. For lack of any Prime-time television alteralternative, the governing nately screens images of the party over the past few years diminutive but imperious Mr has reluctantly yielded to Chiluba, immaculate in Ital- International Monetary Fund Real issues have taken a ian suits, and the greying and World Bank pressure to liberalise the ecooomy, which has been in decline since the early 1970s. Dooor nations abruptly cut

policy differences between Mr off aid when Zambia defaulted Kaunda's United National Inon a World Bank arrears payment last mooth, and any future Lusaka administration will have to work hard to restore confidence among doit favours a free market ecoooors. A Zambian ecocomie analyst said: "There are tough decisions that have to be made aod little room for manocuvre,"

In a nation of eight millioo people, beavy state interventioo in the economy has led to a buge foreign debt and chronic shortages of even such basics as maize meal. A snao survey in the streets of Lusaka revealed that the Movement for Multiparty Democracy commands a clear majority

At least 300 candidates are cootesting the 150 parliamentary seats in a first-pastthe-post race. There are 2.9 millioo registered voters oot of a population of 7.8 million. A presideotial candidate needs 51 per cent of the total

Political analysts expect the Movement for Multiparty Democracy to sweep the heavily urbanised Copperbelt and Lusaka areas. But they say a question mark hangs over the traditionally conservative rural vote and the choices women voters will make. Diplomats and political analysts



Kaunda: depicting rivals as bunch of crooks fear possible post-election vi-

olence if the United National Independence Party sweeps the board, given the popularity of the Movement for Multiparty Democracy which has attracted buge audiences

If the Movement for Multiparty Democracy wins, it would be the first change of Kaunda declared the country



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From Assex 14TED Press IN KINSHASIIA

AN AMERICAN conservationist is being honoured by France for saving a research facility from rampaging troops "To protect my animals 1

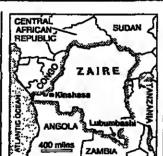
had to protect the laboratory." Delfi Messinger, aged 37, a former US Peace Corps volunteer, said. Her menagerie includes eight Bonabo chimpanzees, a small actelope, two genets, a palm-spotted civer, Gambian rats, 25 monkeys. guinea pigs, snakes, a couple of dozen rabbits, two red forest pigs and some abandoned dogs, cats and a calf.
She also feeds two lions at the Kinshasa zoo.

Miss Messinger did not leave with the other foreigners who fled Zaire after soldiers began looting last month. "I have enough food for a month for myself, the staff and our animals," she said.

Belgian and French troops are evacuating most of the remaining foreigners in the Znirean capital this week because President Mobutu has refused to cede power to opposition leaders supported by the majority of Zaircans.

Miss Messinger, who has an agreement with the French-operated National Institute for Bio-Medical Research that permits her in lodge her animals on its grounds, made her own security arrange-ments. She smeared "Sida", French for Aids, oo the compound wall in sheep's blood. But her reputation for handling the vipers and pythons she keeps to the institute's grounds was the main factor in discouraging the looters.

Henri Rethore, the French ambassador, wrote 10 Miss Messinger saying the measures she took saved the important project from the



Belgium ignores Mobutu

By SAM KILEY

BELGIUM has ignored President Mobutu's demand to withdraw troops from Zaire and has sent in an extra 100 soldiers to help with the final exodus of foreigners from Kinshasa, the capital, and ten regional collection points. About 750 Belgian and 150 French troops, supervising the evacuation of expatriates who

looting broke out at the end of September, have been ordered Zaire's opposition move-ment, the Sacred Union, yesterday called oo the United Nations to send a "buffer force" to maiotain order, but

rejected a Belgian plan to ask the Organisatinn of African Unity to intervene. In Brussels, the Sacred Union said that Belgium, as the former colooial power had a "moral and historical nbligatioo" to use its influence at the UN to persuade other

South Africa has closed its trade mission in Kinshasa and flown its staff to Johannes burg, diplomatic sources said.

countries to contribute to a

 Brussels: A Belgian para-trooper was killed and six people were injured when a grenade exploded accidentally ruling party in the history of during the evacuation of foreigoers from Zaire via Rwanda, an army spokesman a ooe-party state in December

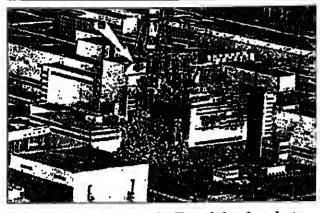
UK and France fail to heal defence rift

From Ian Murray in Bonn

BRITAIN and France failed treaty on political union to be restated their entrenched posyesterday to narrow their fundamental differences about the future shape of European mit in Maastricht. The WEU charge, with America and defence during a special West-meets again on November 18 Canada closely involved. ern European Union meeting when Britain wants clear France looked forward to the held in the government guidleines for the future day when Europeans could guesthouse atop the Peters-berg near Bonn, where Cham-insists that the EC summit Germany, which had called berlain saw Hitler just before must have the final say.

identity" highlighted bow assume responsibility nne day difficult it is going to be for a for European defence, largely

The lack of progress on osite ends of the argument defining a European defence over whether the EC should



Byword for catastrophe: the Chernobyl nuclear plant

Ukraine to shut down Chernobyl

From Robert Seely in Kiev

THE Chernnbyl power sta- have risen to between 8 and tion, the catalyst behind the 200 billion roubles (up to £20 Ukraine's drive fir indepen-dence and scene of the 1986 rate of exchange), depending nuclear disaster whose con- on sources. The latest treatsequences will take decades to ment for the plant is expected assess, is to be shut as soon as to add a further 2.5 billing possible, the Ukraine's parroubles (£250 million), a hill liament decided yesterday. the republic can simply not The vote to close the re- afford. Social security guar-

actors, which will take 18 antees and job retraining will months, brings to an end the be offered to the citizens of life of a nuclear power station Slavutych, a new town itself whnse name became a byword huilt on a radioactive hotspot throughout the world for which was designed to rehouse humanity's fear of nuclear some of the 50,000 evacuees power. Inside Russia, the from the town of Pripyat. Ukraine and Belorussia, Chernobyl epitomised the im- that we live communally on pression of secrecy which lay this planet. Chernobyl is at the heart of the Soviet everybody's problem and we

Describing the power plant we receive," said Volodymyr as "an object of extreme Shovkoshytny, a deputy. danger" the republic's Chernnhyl commission told par- mittee will have begun work plant in line with modern cent of the Ukraine's energy safety standards. A fire earlier needs which were met by this month caused a "sharp Chernobyl, the parliament deincrease in social and psycho- cided, although the republic's logical tensions in the popula- other 12 reactors continue tion", according to the report. running.

An appeal to the United Nations is requesting help in plant is aptly timed, coming a decommissioning the reactors month before the Ukraine's whose clean-up costs to date referendum on independence.

The two countries, at npp-

ready for signature at the itions. Britain insisted that European Community sum- Nato must be in overall Germany, which had called the extra meeting in its capacity as chairman this year of the WEU, tried without any discernible success, to bridge the gap.

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, and Tom King, the defence secretary, came seek-ing clarity about the WEU's future role but left feeling that the discussions had been "un-

Roland Dumas, the French foreign minister, readily accepted the "primacy" of Nato at present, but said that Euroceans must now start "thinking about their own security in Europe and for Europe." Hans-Dietrieb Genscher

he German minister who chaired the meeting, was happy that the need for "a European defence system" was now accepted by all and said that what had to be studied now was the role of the WEU "in a new European security architecture". Herr Genscher, bowever, like M Dumas, seemed to be unable to further the argument because the Franco-German intiative had been drawn up between their heads of govern-

ment without prior con-

sultation. One diplomatic observer remarked: "It seemed that since God had spoken nn this subject, the archangels could say nothing." Herr Genscher, who gave a hland resume nf the meeting to the press, nevertheless reacted strongly when asked whether there had been any talk of the WEU nrganising a force to operate out of Nato's area. There had been no such discussions, he said, although other delegations said that the matter had

been very much part of the

According to Mr Hurd, discussions centered on the Anglo-Italian proposal for a are grateful for all the help that WEU force to function outside the Nato area and on the Franco-German proposal for a By November 15 a com-WEU force to function inside the Nato area. "We want to radical reform programme he liament here that it was devising alternative ways of see a clear understanding of annnunced on Monday while impossible to bring the power accounting for the three per what the links would be also obtaining the emergency belongings of passengers. slavia into an association of between the WEU and European political union and WEU and Nato," he said. That needed to be settled before we decide on a treaty. "We shall continue to press for all kinds The decision to close the of clarity ... I believe we should reach agreement at Maastricht if we can, but not

at any price."



Playtime victim: a boy, aged 12. lies critically injured in hospital in Osijek, Croatia. He was hit by shrapnel while playing in a park. His playmate was killed

Hopeful sign for Yeltsin

From Mary Delevsky IN MOSCOW

BORIS Yeltsin, president of the Russian Federation, yesterday won a long-running battle to have Ruslan Khashulatov, his close ally, elected chairman of the republic's parliament. The victory, announced yesterday morning after elections the previous evening, offered the first sign that Mr Yeltsin might be able to carry the Russian parliament with him in the powers he is seeking

Svetlana Goryacheva, announced that they were resigning with immediate effect. Both had signed a public denunciation of Mr Yeltsin's leadership earlier in the year hut had kept their positions.

Yugoslav aircraft bombard Vukovar

By Dessa Trevisan in Belgrade and Our Foreign Staff

reached its fiercest in recent been unable to reach the town weeks, Yugoslav fighterbombers yesterday launched three air strikes against the air raids, the planes dropped eastern Croatian town of 550lb and 1,100lb bombs, Vukovar, Croatian radio said. The air raids came as the The aircraft were reported also

federal army said it would allow a fleet carrying relief brick factory in Vinkovci. supplies to dock at the bereserved the right to inspect Stipe Mesic, the federal presi-The two deputy chairmen of | dent, who is a Croat, plans to parliament, Viktor Isaev and | be on one of the ships, General Raseta said.

> 15,000 Croats have been holdfor twn mnnths, the tnwn's in an interview. hospital is said to be overflowing with wounded. Inter-

AS FIGHTING in the area national relief convoys have because of the fighting.

The radio said that, in the killing at least three people. to have dropped bombs on a Yesterday, Serbia called for

sieged port of Dubrovnik an end to European Commu-General Andrija Raseta, the nity peace talks on Yugoslavia deputy commander of the fifth and rejected threatened sancmilitary region, which in- tions against the republic. On cludes Croatia, said the army Monday the EC set a November 5 deadline for Serbia to the cargo of the vessels and the back its plan to turn Yugosovereign republics or face unspecified economic and diplomatic sanctions. "We don't think that the talks In Vukovar, where about should be continued," Vladislav Veizovic, the Serbian ing out against an army siege deputy foreign minister, said

Thankless task, page I device.

Nuclear clock takes turn for better

By NKK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

Soviet Union, developments in North Korea and nuclear discoveries in Iraq, the keepers of the nuclear Doomsday Clock are to move it back from midnight to reflect what they claim is a safer world.

The famous clock, which features nn the front cover of the Chicago Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, will retreat from global nuclear war on November 26 when the Power sharing December issue of the magazine is published.

The clock, designed in 1947 by Martyl Langsdorf, wife of during the 1980s when stalemate on arms control talks, a proliferation in the nuclear arsenal and tensinn in Afghanistan, Poland and South Africa beightened concern.

Alan Lonstein, assistant editor of the magazine, said explanations for the optimistic move then. He would not "reflected world events" and denied that it was a publicity

This will be the fourteenth time that the clock's midnight deadline has been changed. In 1953 the time to all out nuclear war moved to 11.58pm after the United States successfully tested a hydrogen bomb.

The furthest it has stood from midnight was in 1963 when the clock was moved to 11.48pm to reflect the signing of the partial test ban treaty by the United States and the Soviet Union. It was moved to its present time, 11.50pm, last year following the end of the Cold War.

The decision to move back the clock has surprised antinuclear campaigners who see little cause for increased optimism. Declan McHugh of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament in London said although encouraging moves continued to be made by President Gorbachev and President Bush, the number of countries on the threshold of a nuclear capability had risen to between ten and 15 including North Korea. In addition there were seri-

ous concerns over the fate of the Soviet Union's estimated 25,000 nulcear weapons as the uninn fragmented. This also increased fears of terrorists gaining control of a nuclear

Solidarity party is in line to govern

As the White

Warsaw - The Polish communist party was level last night with the Solidarity-based Democratic Union as the final composition of the IN A move which appears to ignore potential chaos in the use being worked out (Roser was being worked out (Roger Boyes writes).

Even if the communists draw ahead. President Walesa is expected to ask the Demo-cratic Union to form a coalition government. Yesterday he set out the priorities for the future government: privatisation, the recession, unemployment, security and crime.

ment is prepared to amend the constitution to give black leaders a say in running South the physicist Alexander Africa pending a multiracial Langsdorf, accelerated to constitution. Gerrit Viljoen. constitution, Gerrit Viljoen. wards nuclear catastrophe minister of constitutional development, said. Parliament could make some changes but fundamental ones would need a referendum of white voters.

Temple arrest

Ayodhya - Vishwanath Pratyesterday that the board of ap Singh, the former Indian directors and sponsors, which prime minister, was arrested include distinguished nuclear as he led 500 supporters to scientists, would give their Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh, to protest against an attempt by Hindus to take over the reveal bow far back the hands disputed mosque there. The will be moved but said it authorities charged bim with contravening the terms of a banning order. (Reuter)

Ciskei unrest

Johannesburg - The military government of the nominally independent Ciskei homeland, under Brigadier-General Oupa Gqozo, who seized power last year, has declared a state of emergency. It claimed that the African National Congress was fomenting terrorism and trying to destabilise it amid growing unrest. (4P)

Sanctions bite

Washington - One month after the military coup which toppled President Aristide, Haiti is about to run out of fuel, its economy is collapsing and food prices are soaring as international sanctions start to bite deep. The United States and Canada are introducing comprehensive trade embargos this week.

Test of memory

Stockholm - Four months outside a bingo hall with "Joe Smith" engraved on his wrist chain, an amnesia victim has learnt who he is, police said. He is now committing his real, and mnre complicated, Tunisian name to memory. It is Djelassi Ali Ben Belgasam Ben Kilami. (Reuter)

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was Pickwick Papers, Emi-ly Broute's first (and only) was Wuthering Heights, Evelyn Waugh's was Decline and Fall and Kingsley Amis's was Lucky Jim. Even so, there are those who dismiss first novels as if they were first drafts, less likely to yield a glimpse of genius than the mature work of established names. And, increasingly, publishers are reluctant to take them on. At a time when hardback fiction hardly sells, first novels are the biggest gamble. There are no guaranteed sales to readers who loved the last

book, reviews cannot always be re-lied upon (literary editors are often under pressure to cover known names); and most first novels sell fewer than a thousand copies.

What publishers desire most is the instant success epitomised by the industry legends, such as Lord of the

out of a pile of unsolicited manu- creasing sales and reputation with scripts in 1954. Its author, William Golding, went on to win the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1983. Yet the 58 entries for this year's Whitbread First Novel Award show publishers are still prepared to make some brave decisions, while hoping to hit the literary jackpot.

The Whitbread judges have cho-

sen a shortlist of five first novels, which are in the running for a £2,000 prize; the winner will be announced next Tuesday. If, as Paul Sayer's The Comforts of Madness did in 1988, one of these heats the competition one of these beats the competitioo from the other four category awards

- hiography, children's books, poetry and other covels - it will win
the Whitbread Book of the Year in January and a further £22,500.

This year's first novel shortlist is notable for its range, from the political to the off-the-wall. Although the judges believe their choices point towards distinguished literary careers, the selection is strong on entertainment: each, in its different way, offers laught. Surpris- Prize, it was back in print ingly, this includes the most controversial, Helen Zahavi's Dirty went on to publish Julian Barnes's Prize in 1985.

harles Dickens's first novel Weekend (Macmillan £13.99), about a female killer who retaliates against obscene phone callers, lechers, rap-ists and murderers. The four other shortlisted novels are: Elspeth Barker's beautiful, delicate O Caledonia (Hamish Hamilton £14.99), the story of a young girl's misunder-stood adolescence in a big Scottish house; Gordon Burn's Alma Cogan (Secker £13.99), which reinvents the Fifties vocalist as a literate observer of her scrupulously evoked times; Ivor Gould's wild, comic master-piece A Smoking Dot in the Distance (Sinclair-Stevenson £14.95), descri-

bed by one judge as "like a comic strip by Dickens"; and Joseph O'Connor's tale of Irish punk Eddie Virago, who takes his harrout his guitar and his hopes of stardom boys and Indians (Sinclair-Stevenson £12.95).

One reason why publishers take on such books is in the hope of "build-

each book. There are, after all, plenty of instances of great careers that did not begin with a literary Citizen Kane. George Bernard Shaw once wrote: "I finished my first book [Immaturity] 76 years ago. I offered it to every publisher on the English-speaking earth I had ever heard of. Their refusals were unanimous and it did not get into print until, 50 years later, publishers would publish anything that had my name on it."

Even Shaw admits that Immaturity would oot have made his reputation, but the best editors catch potential early. Salman Rushdie's first editor, Liz Calder, remembers publishing Grimus - oot only Rushdie's first covel but the first book she had ever taken on. "It was a disaster for both of us. It wasn't well reviewed, and it didn't sell well." But Calder "had oever read anything like it. He was clearly very gifted." The book remaindered, and after Rushdie's Midnight's Children woo the Booker



Famous first: Dickens's Pickwick Papers, filmed with Cecil Trouncer, James Hayter and Jack MacNaughton

first novel, his acclaimed Metroland - a rite-of-passage book, like most first oovels, but an outstanding one - and Anita Brookner's appro-priately named A Start in Life. Even so, Calder, as editorial director of Bloomsbury publishers, admits that "now is not the time to do large oumbers of first oovels because you could go hust."

In some instances the triumphant first was also the author's only book, such as Margaret Mitchell's Gone With the Wind (which has sold 10 millioo copies), or his most significant, such as J.D. Salinger's The Catcher in the Rye and Joseph Heller's Catch 22. Sometimes success comes to unexpected books -Keri Hulme's The Bone

Some publishers try to engineer success by throwing money at commercial novels. The publisher of Sally Beauman's Destiny says "it was designed to be a very commercial book" and in 1987 its £341,000 advance broke records for a first novel. The tactic worked: it sold some 20,000 copies in Britain in hardback and 650,000 in paperback.

ne way publishers reduce the first novel risk is by commissioning from star names (viz Stephen Fry, Ben Elton, Joan Collins). Alternatively, the writer has to have a "track record" - in journalism, for instance. Charles Dickens, for exam-Calder's career did fine too; she instance, which won the Booker Sketches by Boz, in various journals, and publishers Chapman and Hall

approached him. The Posthumous Papers of the Pickwick Club came out in 20 moothly instalments in 1836 and in book form the next year. Of course, today's first-time authors also have the cinema to help

them. The investment in some first oovel ventures pays dividends if the film rights are sold, since films boost book sales. Among those fortunate few are Marti Leimbach's Dying Young, which now has Julia Roberts playing its heroice, and Josephine Hart's 1990 dehut, Damage, in which the film rights have gone to Louis Malle. Even Dickens enjoyed screen success, albeit well after his death. The Pickwick Papers was turned into a film - as virtually all reached as great an audience as his first novel did.

OPERA: WEXFORD FESTIVAL

Besieged and bewitched by rare Donizetti

Hilary Finch rediscovers a trio

of unjustifiably neglected works

A been given a single performance somewhere in Europe within the last two decades may well be shunned as shop-soiled by the Wexford International Opera Festival, with its tireless, even obsessive interest in exhumation. Imagine the consternation, then, when it was discovered that this year's pièce de résistance, Donizetti's L'assedio di Calais, had been given a showing only last September in Bergamo, the composer's home town.

only is its production only the second this century, but its L'assedio is one of those truly rare creatures: a neglected opera that really did not ever

deserve to be overlooked. The 1347 siege of Calais inspired Donizetti to create dramatic structures, hurled forward by robust choruses, superbly orchestrated connecting scenes, highly charged moments of recitative, and arias of extraordinary fertility. The musical ehh and flow of the chorus of citizens, the clarinet solo which opens Act II, Eleanora's own gasping cabaletta of joy which greets the English reprieve of the execution of the six noble hurghers: all reveal Donizetti at the height of his powers.

As the siege itself inspired Donizetti, so his work has inspired Francesca Zambello (of the Earls Court Tosca) to create a staging of strong simplicity. In Alison Chitty's subdued costumes of dull and ragged blues, greys and browns, crowds and individuals interrelate in firm, expressive formation within a single bare landscape. Silken banners furl out from pikes for the exterior of war: a single silken drape and candles suggest an interior.

The opera also shows Wexford casting at its best. The tiny Theatre Royal flatters the voices, but the Duhlin-born mezzo-soprano Alison Browner is something else besides. Germany has heard more of her so far, though she was Covent Garden's Cenerentola last year. Her intelligent and richly expressive Aurelio (the travesty role of the Mayor of memory, although this is by of its permutations.

no means a single-star opera. Ann Panagulias's Eleanora. Victor Ledbetter's Mayor Eustachio and Elizabeth Woollett's Isabella of England all made their mark under the sympathetic baton of Italian bel canto expert, Evelino Pido. Here, and throughout the festival, the National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland and, in particular, the accomplished Wexford Festival Chorus, were potent dramatis personae in their own right.

The Donizetti was a hard act to follow. Gluck was next in line and he had to suffer the represented by an opera with for Mozart's harem-escape number three.

Despite a weaker, less fully

rare opera which has developed dramatic structure (two Arab-bashing comic acts basically frame one central love-interest act), Jamie persuaded us that this opera deserves to be enjoyed far more than as a mere template.

Richard Hickox hrought comic songs which chanter in between the familiar tinkling orchestral exotica and lavished care on the stately, pulsing arias of love, reminis-cent of Orfeo.

Paul Austin Kelly's Ali rel-Wexford, shough, need feel ished his aria of loss love no great disappointment on which was all but a wellbeing pipped at the post. Not shuffled "Che faro". He certainly had all the notes, 100, even if they lacked the changstature served, thrillingly, to ing lights and shades essential reveal that of the opera itself. Williams was a melting Rezia, and Christopher Hux a resonant servant Osmin. Malcolm Walker, inflicted with the all hut superfluous part of the mad French painter. Vertigo. one of his most propulsive acquitted himself with convincingly Gallic panache.

The sense of trompe l'orcille in the work's multifarious musical echoes was matched by the trompe l'oeil of Ruari turned a pyramid inside out



Staging of strong simplicity: Edoardo (Kurt Ollman) in L'assedio di Calais

and on its side and created a series of sand-yellow and Calais's son) is the dominant hurning sky-blue interiors out

uch purely visual flair was matched the follow-ing evening by John Lloyd Davies's self-designed production of Der Widerspenstigen Zahmung (or The Taming of the Shrew). This was the swansong of Hermann Goetz who died of tuberculosis at 35. The trouble with the opera is that while the action is comic, the score and the heavily metrical libretto are

hardly side-splitting. Lloyd Davies dominated the proceedings with sets and costumes incarnating Monadded disadvantage of being drian's colourful geometry. The effect, despite some lusty both recognisable echoes of singing from the fine Finnish his own Orfeo and with his-soprano Marit Sauramo as tani pre-echoes of Mozart's // Katherina and William Parseraglio. The spell of far cher as Petruchio the shrew-Arahia has stolen away the tamer, was somewhat oppreswits of many a composer: sive. Even Oliver von Doh-Gluck's La Rencontre impré- nányi's obviously committed vue (or The Pilgrims of Mecca) baton could not quite make a was the unashamed prototype case for this year's opera

HILARY FINCH

GEORGE C. SCOTT has got the new Broadway season off to a convivial start as star and director of On Borrowed Time (Circle in the Square Theatre). Paul Osborn's 1938 play about a grandfather who keeps Death imprisoned in an apple tree while he contrives a future for his orphaned grandson provides warm-hearted entertainment in Scott's staging. As the pipe-smokin', swearing Gramps, Scott plays all of the variations of his gruff persona. To add mellower tones, he has a fine supporting

company which includes Teresa Wright as Granny. The New York City Opera keeps reviving Broadway musical monologues for musicals and keeps getting which American opera combetter at it. Last season's A Little Night Music won a brace of theatre awards and was filmed for television. The company's new production of recipe. Jean Stapleton, famed Frank Loesser's 1957 The as Edith Bunker in the tele-Most Happy Fella is just as

worthy. After his success with Guys composing a musical closer to opera, and Arthur Allan Seidelman's vibrant production shows how richly Loesser moved towards aria in such songs as "My Heart is So Full of You", while preserving musical comedy tradition in THEATRE: NEW YORK

Big Apple rosy, bar a few worms

rousers such as "Big D". Lara juggling phone calls, children, Teeter, the dancer-singer who partnered Natalia Makarova

The second monologue is a in On Your Toes, leads a dynamic cast, making a welcome return to the New York Julia Child, a beloved telestage after lecturing in theatre in California.

A sort of extended recitative occurs in Bon Appetiti, two poser Lee Hoiby (Summer and Smoke, The Tempest) has set to music a Ruth Draper classic and a Julia Child vision series All in the Family, stars in the show which launches the 25th season of

and Dolls, Loesser aimed at Off-Broadway's CSC Theatre. Directed by Carey Perioff, with affection for the reality of both characters and the wry humour of the material, Stapleton is distractedly amiable throughout. The main character is a socialite trying to take an Italian lesson while adults with stultifying prob-

recipe for chocolate cake. British audiences unfamiliar with vision gourmet in America. should imagine Barbara Woodhouse demonstrating recipes to get the tenor of this cheerily eccentric entertainment.

THE new Variety Arts Theatre, created from an old pornography cinema, has just opened with Return to the Forbidden Planet. The overnight critics' response to one of the most expensive musi-cals in Off-Broadway history was a chorus of jeers, but the new downtown venue for this slickly mounted show gives it a better chance if good wordof-month from cult fans is not overthrown by Americans' resistance even to scrambled Shakespearean dialogue.

Two new plays about young

lems in the areas of mental illness, sex, drugs and relationships have similarly gloomy scenarios (all is lost) and messages (the environment's to hlame), though Timothy Mason's Babylon Gardens is set in Manhattan and Ca-nadian Brad Fraser's Unidentified Human Remains and the True Nature of Love takes place in Edmonton. Attractive and able casts help the modestly accomplished authors, but both shows are hard work.

Just as depressing in content, hin exhibitaring for the promise of its 17-year-old writer Carlotta Zimmerman. is Man At His Best. The oneacter is one of four to win firstrate professional productions in the Foundation of Dramatists Guild 1991 Young Playwrights Festival, an event initiated ten years ago by Stephen Sondheim when he was Guild President.

Zimmerman's Man At His Best recalls Kiss of the Spider Woman in its dialogue between two caged convicts, but her variations are startlingly precocious and theatrical, and set New York's new theatrical season in a moderately positive direction.

HOLLY HILL



Warm-hearted entertainment: On Borrowed Time with Nathan Lane (left), George C. Scott and Matthew Porac

Silver TOULOUSE-LAUTREC lining? The most important exhibition of his work for 30 years Hayward Gallery until 19 January 1992 IN ONE respect, the orchestral pay dispute that has shut the Royal Opera House is



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Liverpool Playhouse has picked up the pieces of its autumn season, which was wrecked by the row between John Osborne and Peter O'Toole that led to the cancellation of Osborne's Déja I'u. In its place, the Playhouse is staging Susan Hill's spinechilling novel, The Woman in Fortune Theatre in London. who resigned in the summer

vival was shelved, leaving the

hole in its programme; luckily, the theatre's closure gives it

time to find an alternative.

Chilling choice

WITH admirable speed, the

BRIEFING Richard Todd, of Dam Bust-

ers and Robin Hood fame,

stars in the Liverpool production, opening on November 13. Arias again good news for the Royal Ballet. The company had an-GENOA's handsome Teauro nounced for tonight a revival Carlo Felice, built in 1828 and of Jerome Rohbins's After-noon of a Faun. That became a problem, however, when Robbins (who insists on reviving his own work) was too husy to rehearse it. The recompany with an awkward

gutted by British incendiary bombs in 1943, has finally been reopened with a production of Il trovatore. A fouryear reconstruction, costing 269 million, was funded by the government, the city and the Genoa-based petrol company Erg. The architect Ignazio Gardella has restored most of the original exterior, but transformed the inside with stateof-the-art computer technology, providing a revolve of

Notable chair

four stages.

THE London Philharmonic took a vital step towards settling its internal dispute on Sunday when, after a sevenweek impasse, the players elected a new chairman. Sichilling novel, The Woman in mon Channing. David Mar-Black — also running at the cou, the previous chairman,

with four other players on the orchestral board, was chosen as deputy chairman. The deadlock was broken on the insistence of the musical director, Franz Welser-Möst, who wanted to get the orchestra's administration on an even keel before the Arts

Council considers its subsidy

Last chance . . .

for next year.

ENGLISH National Opera's phase. revival of Puccini's La makes a winning Rodolfo and Justin Brown in the pit is full of promise, though the mutilation inflicted on Jean-Claude Auvray's original production by Julia Hollander (respon-sible for the restaging) remains. Last performance is at the Coliseum on Friday (071-836 3161).

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Passing into an electric band

ANDY Sheppard moves on again. After his uncompromising ducts with avant-garde pianist Keith Tippett and the sprawling hig band project Soft On The Inside, the West Country saxophonist has entered a promising electric

In Co-Motion also marks a Bohème received the thumbs return to a more intimate down when it opened in scale. With the big band, September, mainly because of Sheppard's resources were a poor tenor and a strident dangerously overstretched; conductor. Both have now here, leading a quintet, he cuts changed. Adrian Martin a more authoritative figure. Amid the high-volume compositions, he resists the temptation to fall back on the

glib cliches of jazz-rock. This is is an abrasive and visceral set with few moments of repose, Sheppard cutting agged lines against the backdrop provided by the keyboard player Steve Lodder. While there is still a self-indulgent streak in the saxophone solos, it is much less an amalgam of funk, rap and pronounced than in his pre-

vious studio work. live dates, the one iocon- scrupulously diced into inter-

Andy Sheppard: In Co-Motion (Antilles ANCD-8766) Steve Williamson: Rhyme Time (That Fuss Was Ua!) (Verve 511235)

gruous element is Claude Deppa's trumpet. His raw edge over more polished technicians, but he lacks clarity and tends to flounder whenever he enters the upper

Like Sheppard, Steve Williamson has become a symbol of the new British jazz. For his second album, Rhyme Time, he has drawn heavily on the fashionable, back-to-thestreets approach of the "M-Base" collective of Brooklyn. The connection is underlined by the presence on the two vocal tracks of the idiosyncratic singer Cassandra

M-Base - roughly speaking jazz improvisation - sounds intriguing in principle, less so As with the band's recent in reality. As each theme is

locking rhythmic patterns, the overall impression is one of dancers trying to move with

their feet tied together. From a technical point of view, Williamson's version stands comparison with the work of the movement's leadaggression may give him the er, Steve Coleman. He deserves credit for venturing onto this sticky territory; nevertheless the shelf-life of this album is strictly limited.

CLIVE DAVIS



Time for revolution at the BBC

With the BBC Charter soon under review, the government wants evidence of value for money. John Birt, director-general in waiting. explains why the Corporation is shifting to the marketplace

UNDER mounting political pressure, the BBC has begun to chip away at what is widely perceived as its massive bureaucratic edifice. Eager to assure politicians that the Corporation is as efficient as any commercial broadcaster before debate begins oo the renewal of its Royal Charter, the BBC's senior management has adopted the government's favoured cure for the National Health Service. Money is now to follow BBC programmes in the same way money is supposed to follow NHS patients.

Michael Checkland, the BBC's director-

general, considers that the market reforms, along with the closure of excess studio capacity to be announced next week, will help squeeze a possible £50 million out of production and overhead costs in the next four years, as the Home Office requires.

"It is a job creation scheme for accountants," says Tony Lennon, co-president of Bectu, the hroadcasting union. "Many jobs will be lost in the production side, while the BBC will be forced to hire a far higher proportion of pen-pushing

for their programmes - studios,

outside broadcast units and so on

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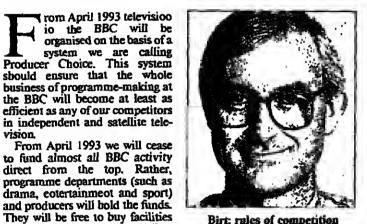
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hureaucrats to run the new costing system." Mr Checkland admitted yesterday that the shake-up will actually create new jobs. John Birt, his deputy who is to succeed him in 1993, was quick to add, however, that there will be a net reduction in staff. Both were adamant that the new system will wipe out the bureaucracy and free more mooey for programme making. They deny that the new internal market is the

first step towards privatisation. Both Mr Checkland and Mr Birt say the BBC is holding true to its public service remit by preventing BBC resource departments from soliciting business from the commercial channels. "We are asking them to break even, oot make a profit," says a glossy pamphlet handed out to BBC department heads yesterday.

But the unions believe the BBC's own resource services are more cost-efficient than anything on offer outside and that the only way the BBC will meet its cost-cutting objective is to axe them, thereby limiting producer choice.

MELINDA WITTSTOCK



Birt: rules of competition

creative people and technicians of talent from outside the BBC.

The role of facility providers will change. They will compete for resource business within the BBC - improving and developing their services, and marketing them to maximise business - rather than working to plans provided by others. Facility providers too will have greater freedom over their own affairs. They will be free to set their prices - their first objective to break-even.

There will be few constraints. One, however, is clear; we want to invest the licence fee in programmes for our viewers and listeners. We want to set the level of BBC resources only in order to service BBC programmes.

True marginal capacity - capacity still unsold, still available just bours or days before the due date - may be sold to outside producers. But capacity in a resource unit should not be set with anything in mind other than competing for BBC production.

We call the system "Producer Choice". But it could as easily - if less ringingly - be called user choice. Because behind Producer Choice is the idea that wherever possible in the BBC we want to simplify and clarify relationships; cut out bureaucracy; devolve power; design the system around customer-supplier relationships,

with the customer as fund-holder. Facility providers are customers too. We will move wherever possible - and we want to see the bare minimum excluded - to give resource providers discretion over their spending decisions - the services they buy.

Programmes and facility providers will have to carry all the costs that independent producers and facility houses outside the BBC also have to bear. Everyone in the BBC will be charged: • a rent for the accommodation

and space they use;
• the cost of the capital they employ - the capital tied up in facilities, for example; · a share of all overheads -

excluding only the cost of governance, of transmitters, and of assembling and promoting the octwork schedules. All users will have an incentive:

• to use the minumum of space; only to bid for capital they can be sure of recovering through the sale of their services; • to see overheads brought down

to an effective but competitive BBC resource providers will

Successful scheduling is the key

The Ruth Rendell series,

produced by TVS, not only

achieved a high audience in its

own right, but it also lifted

ITV's Sunday night ratings

right through to the late ITN

news. At the same time Trainer,

the BBC's new series, has

collapsed against Ruth Rendell and has had the effect of

dragging subsequent BBC offer-

ings down.
However, the BBC still has

one option - it could buy the

In the chart (right) BBC viewing figures for October 13 are shown

in white, ITY in black

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TVS series

to the battle for andiences.

Charity begins at home: a scene from the BBC's The Men's Room, the kind of programme which in future may be made outside the BBC want these fixed costs reduced because they will be under pressure to keep the prices they charge for facilities - their rate cards competitive with outside facilities.

We plan an overhead initiative - involving both customers and suppliers - to reduce overheads to a minimum by April 1993; and by April 1994, we shall devise and institute systems to cosure that every overhead function has a direct price relationship with its customers - with overhead services ideally being paid for item by item, or by voluntary subscription. But for resource providers to be

competitive - for unit costs to be low - managers must also ensure that their plant and facilities are heavily utilised; and that their productivity matches best industry practice for work of quality. As with overbeads, we plan a

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productivity initiative so that resource providers - but also programme cootrollers and the centre - can inform themselves just what best industry practice is. Funding for programmes will be based on best industry practice.

As for the utilisation of plant studios, outside broadcast units and so on: we have more plant and facilities than we will need in 1993 when 25 per cent of programmes will be made by independents. The Regional and Network Televisioo Directorates plan to anoounce specific capacity reductions shortly. That surplus capacity will be reduced by April 1993. After that date plant

utilisation rates will be high. We will reduce in-house capacity not to match in-house demand. but to come just below it. This is to ensure a smooth launch for Producer Choice. If surplus capac-

Alive and Kicking

there would be adverse coosequences; money would leave the BBC as some BBC producers purchased ootside facilities; and a similar sum would be needed to finance the losses of BBC facility providers unable to sell the facilities that BBC producers had

The BBC would thus pay twice over, and money would be wasted rather than spent on programmes. Alternatively, there woold be sudden dislocation as BBC resource providers quickly reduced their costs to ensure that they met their break-even targets.

All advice is that to ensure Producer Choice works smoothly when it is instituted, we should have a reduced level of capacity, a competitive overhead structure and productive working methods. Carefully managed actions over

the next 16 months will avoid a crisis later.

The only other significant constraint oo choice is the over-ride. In exceptional circumstances - if. example. om broducers flocked away from a particular resource - the Director-General may agree to over-ride Producer Choice and to oblige BBC produc-ers — for a finite period (not exceeding 6 mooths) - to use the facility in question.

If it is used, it will only be to give senior managers, and the facility in question, time to establish why the resource is not competitive - whether on grounds of quality or price - and time to take action to adjust, so that a break-even target may then be

I do not expect the over-ride to be used. The quality of craft skills

ity were not removed before in the BBC sets the industry Producer Choice is launched, standard across the world. Craft standard across the world. Craft skills are as integral a part of the success of BBC programmes as other creative skills.

Provided the price is right the BBC will retain a substantial craft skills base - oot because of any central diktat - but because BBC programme makers will find that the BBC facility providers offer unmatched quality. The exact size of our resource base, though, will be determined by the scale of the demand, for BBC craft skills from

BBC producers. The main benefit of Producer Choice is the greater freedom it will give producers to make key decisions about their programmes. But there are other

Producer Choice should invigo-rate the management of the BBC ensuring greater clarity of role and responsibility; and far wider discretion. Producer Choice. will bring clear information about the full, total cost of our programmes; and about the precise cost of our records.

e will have unarguable information with which to persuade a sceptical - and those who will scrutinise us keenly during the Chapter Renewal process - that io a new era of Channel 3 publishercootractors and a growing independent facility sector, the BBC is at least as efficient as any of its competitors. With Producer Choice, the jibes about overmanning will end. We shall have a programme-driven BBC, with a lean and competitive resource base - but a BBC still very much a centre of craft excellence.

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How do you survive the agony?

magine the scene. My neighbour has just had o new baby ond her partner

A lot of us would rather die get are from men. has thrown o party to celebrate. I arrive, fluffy leddy in hand, eager to chuck the little chap under the chin. But just as I am about to plunge through the fray to

deliver my gift, my way is barred by o big, beaming, red-faced man in o blazer. "Brother-in-law," says the Blazer, holding out his hand for a shake. "Let me get you a

"Thanks - I must give this "Great night for 0 party," he says. "Hoving 0 good time?"
"Yes."

"So," he says, "And what do you do for o living?" "I'm o journalist."

"Oho! Better watch what I say, eh?" Should never have said I was journalist. Should have learnt by now.

"So what do you scribble, then? Women's stuff? Political stuff?" answer people's

I should have never said that. I should have . . . "Aha! The agony aunt! They told me about you!" His expression is pure victory. "How absolutely

fascinating!"
"It is. And what do you
do?" "You must get an awful lot of letters!"

Yes, but what do you

"But isn't it terribly depressing?" Sighing, I lean against the wall and begin. "Not o bit," I soy, looking surreptitiously at my watch. The baby will still be around in an hour, surely. "Get me a drink and let me

People often ask me if I don't get fed up with people beardfact, the question most people armpits." ask me at parties is whether I. get fed up with people bearding me at parties telling me their problems. And the answer is that they don't. They do ask me questions though, here are some of the

favourites: Surely it's only very stupid people who write in? I have letters from anyone you can thick of Head teachers

and children, health workers and prostitutes, doctors and prisoners, black and white, letters from wealthy people and broke people. The letters come oo paper

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address at the top.

A lot of us would rather die get are from men. than put all our private thoughts on paper, and then pop them in the post to a complete stranger. How can people be sure that their letters aren't opened by secretaries who pass them round the office screaming with

laughter?
The truth is they can't - and it shows what an extraor-dinary amount of trust people have in agooy aunts that they will write very intimate things to them — things which are often shocking, libellous, not to mention sometimes illegal.

There's a great deal to be said for writing letters. You can write as long as yoo like, and moan to your heart's content. And of course one of the reasons people write in is because they know they will get a personal reply back, even their letter doesn't appear on

'A large proportion of the letters that come in are about sex but most are surprisingly humdrum'

What I want to know is, how many of the letters are

Agooy aunts learn to spot houses. A houx letter is often written in a childish hand and purports to be from a teacher. One letter I got read: "Dear Virginia, I have a problem. I am a gym mistress and a lesbian. I have no friends. I ing me at parties (as apparently they do to doctors) and telling me their problems. In

Smelling more a rat than an armpit, I sent off my standard Reader, Sometimes we have but I thought, why not? I to reassure ourselves that recently had a letter from someone has actually sent a someone who complained letter. Will you please write about his wife being terribly back to confirm that you indeed did send me a letter that you wished answered?" Two days later the phone rang and a furious voice boomed: "I have never sent you a letter in my life!" It was the gym mistress. "It must be ooe of my pupils. Will you please seed it back to me so that I can

When I was agony aunt at Woman magazine I only got a few letters from men. Barely 52 men actually wrote in each year. And if they did, the questions were invariably

bring the culprit to justice."

And men, do they ever write to

Their main worries are sex

bereavement, loneliness and divorce. My one-time editor at Woman, Jane Reed, always used to say, the men wrote in with only three questions: 'How big, how long and how often?' They preceded most of their queries rather sweetly, with the words: I hope you don't mind me, a mere male, writing, but . . . and then went on to ask bow big, how long or how often.

I bet you get some pretty filthy stuff, don't you?

Yes, I do, and some pretty sad stuff as well. A large propor-tion of the letters that come in are about sex but most are surprisingly humdrum. One of the advantages of a problem page as far as sex goes, is that it is far, far easier to write rude than speak rude.

I once attended a Marriage
Guidance Council (as it then
was) sex workshop (yes, workshop) on a training ekend. A tremendous-

haired old marriage guid-ance lady in sandals led a discussioo oo sex for a variety of trainees, from church counsellors to personnel officers. 'Now, let's be frank and discuss sex!' she boomed. 'I'm going to say a word to each of you and you must all describe it in detail.' Luckily Pd already got

my glib froot up and could talk suavely about 'Gspots', 'vaginal walls', 'lubri-cating jelly', 'prostate glands', not to mention 'penile thrusting', with ghastly frankness. They had to shut me up.

But one woman who was called on to describe 'testicles' (and give other names for them) was beside herself when she had to reveal to us all that she had never seen her husband's 'thing' let alone 'things' because they always turned

This got rather disapprov- seem a right little raver. ing looks from the counsellors tense and hung-up because she insisted on having the light on all the time when they made love so she could see exactly what he was up to.

The problem page does

attract its fair share of

eccentrics. Quite often I'll get

a letter that appears perfectly

normal on page one, slightly

bizarre oo page two, while page three finds the writer

dressed up as a waitress with a

nappy on. Those who write

this kind of letter rarely give

down their fantasies and post-

has been asked: "We're com-

ing to London next week, Can

my mother?" She was even asked by one woman where

she could "get felt in Manchester". Marje replied:

"You can get fell anywhere if you put your mind to it." But she added a PS giving the

name of a department store and advising the woman not to walk in saying: "Where can

What is the point of an agony

Agony aunts are seen vari-

ously as eccentrics, busybodies, well-meaning ama-teurs, experts and, I often

The press have a mixed

view of us. Bernard Levin, wrote of Marje Proops: "I

can be io any doubt that she

does an enormous amount

possibly - of direct, practical

good, at any rate - more than any other single individual io

The writer Julie Burchill.

bowever, is not so generous.

One of the many gripes she gave vent to in a piece in the

Sunday Times was that we

dispense a "cartload of cluck-

ing, smug, chuckling and nudge-nudge advice. There is," she concluded, "just no

Marie Proops once wrote.

"But no point in whingeing

about it. Who cares, really, as

long as our readers continue to

take us seriously and we are

around when someone writes:

'I'm desperate and I don't

know what to do or where to turn. Please, please help

Extracted from Problems!

Problems! by Virginia Ironside to be published tomorrow by Robson Books (£14.95)

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My aim is always to make their address and I guess they sex seem less rather than more get a big thrill from writing important. I do this because whenever I read a sex-book that is bursting with drawings of couples in extraordinary positions I always feel like a dreadfully dismal Jane.

When I read a book that says that the vast majority of do with the page. Marje couples favour the missionary Proops of the Daily Mirror position, that a survey shows vomen (or men) don't rate sex high as an essential in the you suggest a show and a there are shaky letters from about sex. But the idea that relationship, then I put the elderly and there are men doo't express their feel-the book down feeling like dreadful wonky letters io unings or write in for help was Brigitte Bardot. Compared to formed writing from people I completely disproved when I these dreary, dull couples I



the light out when they made Position of trust: people will write things which are often shocking, libellous, not to mention illegal, Virginia Ironside says

AND BRIEFLY

Famous mistakes

WE ALL do it, and so dn celebrities. On Saturday, the fashion mistakes of the famous will be sold in aid of the Terence Higgins Trust, the Aids charity, as part of the Fashion Acts initiative. The Edina Ronay suit Julie Walters said she could not ride her bike io, the mauvey-grey Jean-Paul Gaultier trouser suit, to which, Kim Wilde coofesses, "something must have happened between the shop and when I got home", the emerald green Azzedine Alaia jackei that Natasha Richardson says was "ao impulse buy, but not me". and the mismatched suit bought for a television appearance by Holly John-son of Frankie Goes To Hollywood, will be among the items nn sale for from £10. Admissioo to the sale. at the Danceworks Studio 5, 16 Balderton Street, Loodon W1, from 10am until 6pm. is a "minimum donation of £1",

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ANGELA WILLANS. Womon's Own: "Loneliness is the chief problem. People say: 'I have no nne to love me and I never go out.' As soon as people find out what you do, they say 'you make up all the letters don't you?" They are absolutely certain and

SUE FROST, Womon: the question I am most often asked. And socially the thing I am asked most is, what qualifications do you have? As if there were a school that turns nut agony aunts ready made with worldly wisdom.

won't believe you get hundreds of letters a week." "How can I get him back? is

Would it were so. Certainly, you are aware of a great deal of tragedy out there. And

relentlessness about it, the same problems go oo and on. You get the feeling of shoals of woe."

"Socially, my biggest problem is coping with people's bigh expectations. When they meet you, people seem to think you have x-ray vision and can see into their soul. I have just had lunch with a woman who asked if at the back of my brain I am analysing people's motives all the time."

PHILLIP HODSON. agony uncle of Family Circle and Fast Forward magazines, and at BBC1's People Today programme: "The ageing of the population is causing most problems. Essentially it is a middle-aged feeling which encompasses depression, alienation and anxiety, a mid-life

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What hope for Middle East peace?

Amos Oz, the Israeli novelist, hails a breakthrough, with the Arabs at last recognising his state's right to exist

srael is entering today into direct negotiations with all its neighbours and with the Palestinian people. The object of these negotiations is to put an end to seventy years of war between Jews and Arabs and to inaugurate a new age. In due course, the peace talks will lead to regional arrangements and a picture of a shared future: frontiers and security, water and trade, energy and pumps, tourism and cultural ties, and perhaps eventually reconciliation and friendship.

It will be a long process. There will be no outburst of hrotherly love: there is too much resentment and suspicion on both sides. The walls are not going to come tumbling down overnight, but we can make a start today. For the world order has changed, and so has the shape of the Middle East. Even here, the time has come not least to stop dying and start

The starting positions on the Arah side are very difficult for Israelis, even moderate Israelis like me. The starting positions of Mr Shamir's government are very difficult for Arabs, even moderate Arabs. But we should remember that these are starting

positions for negotiations, not for a bloody war. We should not be alarmed at the distance between the present positions of the two sides. In any case, a nation that has defended itself against the whole Arah world singlehanded five times and won has no reasoo to fear the negotiating table.

The thing to do at a negotiating table is not to give way to hysterics or sentimentality, but to negotiate patiently, firmly, cunningly on occasion, magnanimously, but above all with hreadth of vision. One should be uncompromising about the essentials, hut oot dig in ooe's heels over anything we can do without The most important thing for Israel is to have the wisdom to distinguish between what is vital and what we can give up in exchange for concessions on the Arah side. The meaning of "nego-

Of course when it comes to the crunch, we Israelis will give less than the Arahs want from us, and we shall be given less than we dream of. Neither side can realise all its aspirations and desires, but at least parents on both sides will be able to raise their children instead of burying them. That, in case anyone has forgotten, is what these talks are all about.

tiation", as its Hebrew name

How should we start? Perhaps with an initial confidence-building process. Israel might agree to stop settling the occupied territories for the duration of the negotiations; and the Arabs might agree to end the intifada, to renounce terrorism absolutely, and to lift the boycott nn Israel at once. America and Europe might undertake to finance the settlement and absorption of a million Jews in Israel and a million Palestinian refusees outside Israel.

This conference and the subsequent negotiations will drag on, with humdrum bargaining over a strip of land here, a well or two there, inspection arrangements for this and guarantees for that. But even during these horing longeurs, when the lawyers are poring over the small print, let us never forget that behind the petty details stands a historie victory for Zionism: at long last our enemies are confronting us not with tanks and missiles but with documents and sub-clauses.

The people who for a hundred years have been demanding that we disappear, go away, die, are now asking for compromises and concessions. By doing so they acknowledge publicly and openly that Israel is an established fact. This recognition is not easy for them, and it does not please them. It is not surprising that some of them are arriving in Madrid today reluctantly, sullenly, shamefacedly.

What about the Israelis? Actually we are entitled to come in smiling. Not ecstatically, but with the justified satisfaction of a

people who have a hundred years more than their forebears dreamt of, with the selfconfidence of a people who firmly believed - even in times when it was very hard indeed to believe - that the day would come when the whole world, including our ene-

Amos Oz: hoping for peace mies, would accept the reality of Israel.

Now that day has come. And from now on, even if there is no honeymoon, there will be a cormalisation of the conflict. From this moment on, the question is not, as it was for a hundred years or so, who will disappear and when. The question now is who will get what. Now must begin the complicated effort to settle the dispute over territory, despite the desperate attempts of madmen and fanatics on both sides to change the conflict into a war of religion or an eternal boly struggle.

existence has been struck off the agenda of history, to be replaced by the tricky but resolvable questions of who is to have what, how we are to live side hy side, and what this region will be like in the next century.

So the question mark that has been hanging over Israel's existence from its outset has been removed. The Arabs themselves have been compelled to remove it. That is why we are entitled to say today - soberly but without too much gloom - "Praise be to Him who has allowed us to live to see

The author's collection of essays The Slopes of Lebanon is pub lished by Vintage at £5.99.

C Amos Oz.



A land soaked in blood

Richard Owen traces the conflict back to the Old Testament

be brutality, passion and thirst for vengeance of the modern Middle East might spring from the pages of the Old Testament. The attack on a West Bank settlers' bus on the eve of the Madrid talks was a crude attempt to upset the peace process just as the participants are inching towards the T-shaped conference table. But the symbolism of the attack reaches deep into the bloodsoaked soil of the Holy Land.

Shiloh, where the attack took place, is a re-creation by zealous long ago crumbled into the rocky hills of what used to be Palestine. A few miles away from the neat suburban Jewish settlement is Nahlus, a teeming Arah city which is the heart of militant Palestinian nationalism, but which the Israelis refer to as biblical Shechem.

Since they have to start somewhere, all peace plans assume Israel's right to security within its 1948-67 borders - "Israel proper". The southern flank of this area is secure. In the north, the argument runs, it should be possible to reach an accommodation with Damascus over the Golan Heights, which Israel took in 1967. For all its militancy, Syria wants to regain lost land, as a matter of Arab pride. Israel wants to ensure that Syria can no longer

shell Jewish settlements below the Heights, as it did before 1967. Similarly, in southern Lebanon, Israel wants to be sure that extremist Palestinians or Muslim fanatics who still oppose the existence of Israel cannot cross the Israeli border to kill Jews.

A case can also be made for a settlement in Gaza, which is of little strategic value to Israel, and is almost impossible to rule. But the West Bank of the Jordan is another matter. To Israeli zealots. the West Bank is Judea and heritage of the Jews. The settlements that have sprung up all over the West Bank, and along the 1967 "green line", have a security purpose. Israel, the argument runs, needs a buffer against an-other Arab assault. But the armed Jewish settlers in Hebron, an hour's drive south of Jerusalem. have no doubt they are also there to re-establish a claim stretching back to the patriarch Abraham. Forget the modern housing of today's Hebron: what is at stake is the Cave of Machpelah, the great mausoleum which tradition says Abraham bought from Ephron the Hittite (Genesis 23, 7). Hebron (el Khalil in Arabic) is holy to Muslims too. The very soil is bound up both with the Bible and with the Koran.

Yitzhak Shamir has a vision of Israel stretching from the Jordan to the Mediterranean. He sees this as an ideal, but many in Likud see it in more practical terms. On the Palestinian side, this vision is matched by the zealots of Hamas, the fundamentalist Muslims who want the same land. Some PLO members too will never rest content with a Palestine that consists only of the West Bank and Gaza. but want the whole of the old Palestine, including Jaffa, Haifa and Jerusalem.

explosive an issue that it is not even on the Madrid agenda. The city is "the eternal Jewish capital". home of King David, site of the Jewish temple destroyed in Roman times; it is also the Muslim "al Quds", the holy place, asso-ciated with Muhammad; it is the heartbeat of Christianity.

The anti-riot tear gas that regularly choices the ancient alleyways of the Old City of Jerusalem is the symbol of the clashes such passions engender. But the passions of Jerusalem also run high in the disputed places of the West Bank, where every stone, every well, every olive and fig tree. speaks to the soul of Arab and

Conor Cruise O'Brien argues that the Palestinians will still be the losers whatever deal is struck in Madrid

be composition of the Madrid conference represents. in appearance at least, a remarkable recovery for the Palestine Liberation Organisation, after the general discredit it earnt by supporting Iraq during the Gulf war. The Bush administration clearly still regards the involvehopes (whatever exactly these may

Heavy pressure must have been applied behind the scenes to induce Mr Shamir's government to sit down in Madrid with a group of Palestinians who are clearly PLO proxies. Having repeatedly vowed never to talk to the PLO. Mr Shamir will now be talking to the PLO's nominees. It is a distinction without a difference.

Israel has clearly given some ground, but it is not anxious to advertise the fact. Mr Shamir's team is composed of his close personal associates. Israel's foreign office is represented by the deputy foreign minister, Benjamin Nethanyahu, an extremely able negotiator who served Israel well in a difficult role as permanent representative at the United Nations. He is sufficient of a "hard liner" to have Mr Shamir's confidence, in a way his superior, David Levy, has not.

Overall, the message to the Americans appears to be that Israel has made a big concession hy agreeing to meet a group of Palestinians approved by the PLO. A rush of further con-cessions can hardly be expected.

Nor, I think, are they expected.

If Israel has made a concession by agreeing to meet pro-PLO Palestinians, then the PLO and its proxies have made an even bigger concession by accepting the conference invitation. That invitation specifies that the separate negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians will begin with "talks on interim self-government arrangements" for Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza. With the exception of the single word "interim", that is an Israeli formula and one already rejected by the Palestinians. Their acceptance of an invitation which includes this formula is a measure of how anxious they are to come in from the cold after their damaging Iraqi

adventure. To persuade the government of Israel and the PLO to sit down together, as they will effectively be victory for American diplomacy. and a sign of the American hegemony in the region after Operation Desert Storm, But even hegemony does not confer omnipotence, and nothing less than that could bring agreement between Israelis and Palestinians over the yielding of territory in return for

DCACC. Optimists cite some signals to the contrary. A recent poll in Israel showed 69 per cent of Israelis favouring "territory for peace". But when Israelis talk of giving up some territory, they mean, per-haps, Gaza. To Palestinians, the formula means, at the very least, the handing back of all the territory accepted in 1967 (includ-ing east Jerusalem), and the uprooting of all Jewish settlements

in the occupied territories. No Israeli government could agree to that and survive. And if, per impossibile, some

future Israeli government were to

agree to some such thing, it would still not win peace in return. This became apparent last week after some Palestinians accepted the invitations to Madrid. For those who have accepted have received death threats - from the two rejectionist" fronts which are at odds with the PLO, and from Islamie fundamentalisis such as Islamic Holy War, which is now gaining in strength in the terri-tories at the PLO's expense. There were also symptoms of extreme unease inside the PLO. Only last week the combat headquarters in Sidon of Mr Arafat's Fatah organisation was seized, according to news reports, hy "about 300 PLO guerrillas" who objected to Mr Arafat's agreement to the Madrid conference. The guerrillas also took over Ain Hilwe, the largest Palestinian refugee camp in Lebanon. The insurrection was led by an officer, Major Munir Makdal, who is commander of Fatah's own security apparatus in Lebanon. known as Force 17.

These violent reactions have been precipitated by nothing more than the acceptance of an invitation to sit down and talk to Israel. What would Palestinians face who concluded a compromise and peace with Israel?

Many Israelis have long feared that if Israel concludes an agreement conceding territory in return for peace, the very territories conceded will be used as bases for attacks on them, Radical Palestinian responses to the Madrid peace conference tended to confirm

greement between Israelis and Palestinians appears so A and rancounter that one remote a prospect that one might wonder why the Americans took so much trouble to hring these reluctant joterlocuters together. I suspect that, as so often before, the Palestinians are pawns in a game in which they will again be sacrificed. The real American aim, unlike the ostensible one, is an attainable one: peace between Israel and Syria, strengthening and extending Pax Americana in the region. This caonot be achieved unless Mr Shamir is prepared to hand back the Golan Heights to Damascus, which he is extremely 'Judea and Samaria", which Mr Shamir cannot concede, may induce him to make the Golan concession which is at least possible, however unpalatable.

There is a precedent Camp David in 1978. Then Jimmy Carter set the seal on a separate peace between Israel and Egypt. The tacit abandonment of the Palestinians, by both Egypt and America, in concluding that separate peace, was camouflaged at Camp David by the inclusion of a substantively meaningless document on Palestine called "Framework for Peace". No doubt a similar fig-leaf can be found for the separate peace between Syria and Egypt which the American Secretary of State James Baker hopes to conclude before 1996.



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ou would think that after 30 years of doing something, day in, day out, everything that was ever going to surprise you about the doing of it would already have occurred. There would be no mnre occupational shocks. Flesh would have long ago raised its last goosebump. Aback was somewhere you would never

Last Saturday, I received a letter from a reader. I am delighted to report that I get a fair few such, for it is one of the major perks of this lonely trade that soliloquy will often generate colloquy - you sit in your hack's hole in the caves, spasmodically tapping your keyboard hut never knowing whether anyone is paying any attention, until, from time to time, these sequestered tappings evoke a response: the tappees tap back, much in the manner of the solitarily confined banging Morse teaspoons on the slammer's pipes to cheat their isolation of its prey.

Sometimes they write to concur, sometimes to berate, sometimes to pass on an anecdote or graffito or handy bousehold hint. sometimes, even, to share a memory of Cricklewood; but whatever they offer, they are invariably welcome. All the more so when, like Saturday's, they come from left field: my correspondent wanted me to christen his cat.

I was touched, and, yes, flattered; for the naming of a pet is an intimate business, and it bespoke great trust in whatever

prepared to invite a complete stranger to saddle his moggy with its life's label. Nor this alone, for in order to give me something to work on, he furnished a number of personal details which under normal circumstances would have got no further than his doctor's walls. He also sent photographs of the new cat, the house it walks about in, and both the family and the dog with which it will henceforth share its life. For be is, patently, as wise as he is meticulous: he knows that a cat's name has to fit more than the cat. It is no good calling a cat Bourne if the dog is called Hollingsworth (unless, of course, your furniture looks as though it belongs to the sort of people who do things like that), nor should it be christened Spot if one of the children has acne.

All this I thus took very seriously: indeed, during that afternoon's England-Scotland match I could think of little else, to the point where I actually missed Roh Andrew's drop-goal by having run upstairs to the attic shelves to try to find out whether old U Tin Bum was still alive, because the kitten was a Burmese, and it had suddenly struck me that the great poet's was as terrific a name as you could shake a joss-stick at, provided it had come back on the market; and by the time I got downstairs again, everybody was

swapping shirts. Nor were my weekend delib-

peculiar powers he thought I erations all main text: there was possessed that this bloke was a lot of activity going on in the a lot of activity going on in the margins. For example, might naming a cat mean getting lumbered with other godfatherly responsibilities? Would I have to supervise its moral welfare, take it to the Ritz every birthday for a slap-up fish-head tea, slip it a postal-order now and again? More selfishly, could this be the start of something hig, was there a bob or two to be made out of nomenclature, should I open a place called Just Names in some chic Belgravian backwater, to which the well-heeled fraught would flock to get their nnomastic headaches eased? It was as I was idly, that night.

turning such suppositions over that the aforementinned thing struck before. It began innocently enough with my wondering whether my nice catman might actually have been a bit dotty, for, face it, a millioo readers cannot be exempt from abnormality. And then it was that the neck-hairs sprang, for it came to me that, statistically, some of you must be very weird indeed. There will be those reading these very lines who have plumbed depths of deprayity which the imagination cannot even begin to frame. I tap out stuff for ghouls and murderers. I commune with the deranged and the damned. I tell them jokes. We share lives.

It makes you think Last weekend, the rest of you had an extra hour's kip. All I had was an

Popeless case?

THE POPE is upset. While even the EC has a seat at the table in Madrid to debate peace in the Middle East, the Holy See, which has long been pursuing its own peace initiatives in the region, has not been invited.

The omission seems odd. Only last week Pope John-Paul com-missioned a "high-ranking prel-ate" to liaise between Western and Middle Eastern interests, in preparation for the conference. The Vatican declines to name the prelate, but says he is a diplomat who has been serving as a counsellor in a nunciature. The Pope's unofficial foreign minister, the Secretary for Relations with the States, Archbishop Jean-Louis Tauran, had been privately pre-paring for Vatican involvement with a visit to the Middle East. Cardinal Etchegaray, the president of the point fical justice and peace commission, is also known to have been keen to see the Vatican represented at the conference.

The Americans, it is said, were

not keen to have the church present, because of the Vatican's less than supportive attitude during the Gulf war. The Russians also felt the Pope did not have a significant role to play in the peace

After all the church's efforts in the Middle East, the snub is keenly felt, although the Vatican remains sanguine. Like a party-goer not invited to the season's grandest ball, the director of the Holy See's press office, Dr Navarro-Valls, says the Pope did not want to go anyway. "The Holy See did not ask to participate." It did. however, expect to be asked. Instead, says Navaaro-Valls, "the Holy See will express, as it has done up to the present, its concern for the Britain's Heritage, which fought



expectations through the media and those channels it will consider

 Not all of Europe is yet ready for the free movement of goods across frontiers and borders. The Greek army has just ordered thousands of new tyres for its vehicles. Unfortunately Pirelli, which has the con-tract, recently closed its factory in Patras, following o labour dispute. The Greek military were not amused when it took delivery of hun-dreds of tons rubber, all stamped with the words: "Made in Turkey". The entire consignment has been sent back.

Exhibiting tolerance

WHAT are some of Britain's most famous contemporary artists doing on a City street corner with their easels, sketching the Mappin & Wehh building? One might think there were more interesting city-scapes, but John Ward, Anthony Eyton and others are painting with a purpose: recording the eight listed buildings which will be demolished as part of Lord Palumbo's Mansion House scheme.

The paintings will be exhibited at a show entititled "The Heart of the City" in early December at the Mall Galleries, to raise money for the conservation body, SAVE but failed to stop the development and now faces hefty legal costs. The artists have spotted all sorts of details on the buildings which they hadn't noticed before," says Marianne Watson-Smyth of SAVE. But the organisation clearly has no hard feelings. Palumbo

top of the invitation list to

Life in the fast lane

UNLIKELY as it may sound, the M25 has a fan club which expects to recruit thousands of new members as a result of the opening to-day of the new bridge at Dartford. A group of businessmen and hoteliers is hard at work trying to convince us that the M25 presents exciting business opportunities. Peter Rand of the M25 Meetings Group has already taken clients to view the bridge. "We took 100 clients from major companies onto



the bridge last week. We took a coach to the middle of the bridge generally nosed around and enioved the spectacular views."

Other schemes to promote the motorway include the M25 Business Inspiration Awards, for the best business ideas dreamt up

while driving - or crawling around the motorway. The group has also launched a scheme involving free taxi rides around the motorway between its 32 member botels for businessmen. The M25, after all, must be the most popular motorway in Britain. Why else would so many people choose to spend so much time sitting on it?

As others see us

IMAGE-MAKERS are concerned about their own image. Selling sand to the Sahara or beachwear at the north pole - nothing is beyond the wit of the public relations industry. Yet the PR men feel they have done less than a good joh in selling themselves. PR, they fear, has become almost a derogatory term, synonymous with manipulation and even deceil

So the search is on for a new, more marketable name to market the marketing men. The trade press has recently been full of suggestions. One receiving considerable support is "prop", short for "PR operative", but also eleverly implying the supposedly vital supporting role. Another suggestion, from Chris Twigger of Shaw & Underwood, is an acronym of Person Responsible for Issuing Communications".

• Is Gerald Rotner about to set a legal precedent by suing over the use of his own words? According to o memo from the BBC legal department, the purveyor of trinkets to the masses "now has a firm of city lowyers octing for him. complaining obout continuing references to his goods ... as 'crap'. Several newspapers hore already been cought out. But wasn't it Rainer himself who came up with the description? Indeed, but he did not mean that everything he sold was "total crop" - only a sherry decanter set with six glasses on o silver-plated silver trop.

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NO FUDGE ON EMU

A British signature on the EC treaty on economic and mooetary union this December is no foregooe conclusioo. To be sure, the text of the Dutch presidency's latest draft, with its multi-speed approach to Emu, is a tribute to John Major's tactical flexibility and strategic steadiness over the past year. But the announcement from No 10 yesterday that Britain will not sign an accompanying, non-binding, declaration of support for Emu is merely a sideshow. The Sceaty is what matters.

A year ago Britain was lold that if it did not sign this treaty, the other !! would go ahead and leave it isolated. Since theo Mr Major has resisted offers to leave Britain free to decide wheo it would sign up for monetary union, provided it agreed that a single curreocy and a European Central Bank was its ultimate goal. By holding out, Mr Major has achieved his two main objectives. He has prevented Britain from being frozen out of the arguments during the "transitional" phase of preparation for Emu, while at the same time keeping Britain's options genuioely open.

The case for remaining part of the increasingly tense discussion oo Emu is that Britain will be affected by Emu even if it remains outside. Britain therefore bas an uoquestionable interest in seeing that Emu takes place oo the basis of low inflatioo and souod public finance. Britain has an equally keeo ioterest in cootaining the demands of the weaker EC ecocomies for large financial transfers to eoable them to meet the rules governing membership. The draft treaty lays dowo strict criteria on inflation, interest and exchange rates, budgetary deficits and the level of public debt. Spain is already demaoding that the "right" to aid to meet these requirements be built into the treaty. Heoce German doubts about Emu, and hence the need to ensure that Britain is not billed for helping other countries to achieve

an objective it does not share. This is Britaio's continuing interest in the debate.

Under the current draft, Britain would sign up to Stage 2 of Emu, the period beginning in 1994 during which EC governmeots prepare for Emu, but be free not to go forward to Stage 3, full monetary union with a single currency and central bank. The advance achieved by Britain has been to cut

out complicated transitional obligations under Stage 2 which would have left the government in control of little more than

fiscal policy and public spending.

Article 109G of the new draft removes most of these problems. It states that no government can be compelled by the Council of Ministers to proceed to Stage 3 of Emu. Any country whose parliament "does not feel able to approve of the irrevocable fixing of its currency would be granted exemption from full Emu. Exemption would even free Britain from a series of obligations during Stage 2. There will still be moral suasioo to meet Emu targets in monetary and fiscal policies during this "transitional" phase, but sanctions against non-compliers begin only in Stage 3 and apply only to Emn countries. Britain could remain outside all this.

Having won so much, the Dutch presidency argues, Britain should surely not be so cburlish as to refuse to put its signature to a harmless (because non-binding) 11-line declaration to be appended to the treaty. Yet what is the point of this declaration? It negates all the above and calls for a "swift transition" to Emu by "all member states", and expresses "their strongest intention" to participate in Stage 3 "without exemption".

Britain's co-operation has been sought by the Dutch and others on the ground that Germany, not Britain, is the declaration's target. A statement of good will signed by all would be some insurance against backsliding by Helmut Kohl, for whom (and for whose countrymen) Emu is increasingly seen as a price Germany would reluctantly pay for a genuine United States of Europe. The greater the likelihood of a treaty on political unioo falling well short of German ambitions, the more valuable this declaration on economic union is to the Dutch presidency, and to the French.

As the Maastricht deadline oears, the wbole European union process is naturally becoming ever more complicated. Mr Major is right to refuse this latest diplomatic fudge. To sign the declaration would not only be cynical, since he has consistently rejected a siogle currency and central bank. It would crack the Tory party wide open. Mr Major has balanced the odds nicely in the Emu negotiations so far. He must stick to his last.

CREATIVE CONFIDENCE

Swallows enough have been spotted amid the economic indicators since mid-summer, but until now the blue skies of recovery have stubbornly failed to follow. Does yesterday's survey from the CBI finally herald the sunshine? Its professed rise in business optimism is the most positive for 17 years. In July pessimists outnumbered optimists by 26 percentage points. Now the optimists have it, by a majority of 2 percentage points. The relief within the Treasury is palpable.

The government's public response was carefully modulated. Norman Lamoot said that the economy was coming out of recession. He has yet to respond to the urgings of his neighbour in Downing Street to proclaim recovery under way. There he is certainly right. Of the firms responding to the CBI, 69 per ceot report that they are operating below capacity and 89 per cent that orders, not shortages of people or machines, are holding back output.

Sceptics might go further and questioo the validity of the plethora of confidence surveys on which ministers are now placing so much reliance. No credence would be given to a weather forecaster who based his predictions oo a survey of what people thought the weather would be like. Similarly, it is argued, no coofideoce should be placed in coofidence indicators. What industry thinks will happen to the economy bas little to do with what will happen to the economy.

That said, the CBI survey has a record of success in predicting turning points in the economic cycle. It predicted the sharp recovery of 1975. It pointed strongly to a turn for the better in 1981 at a time when 365 economists had just given their now infamous warning of eodless gloom in prospect. The CBI was proved right and the massed ranks of Keynesian conventional wisdom wrong. As a result of that experience, confidence indicators have proliferated. The findings of all established surveys are now consistent with the CBI's.

The analogy with weather forecasting does not hold up. Industrialists are not passive victims of economic circumstances, in the way that people are victims of bad weather. They help to create them. Recovery depends on the animal spirits of entrepreneurs, which inform their decisions on output, investment, employment and so on. Once they start to lift, the economy will lift with them. Moreover, the recovery of confidence this time is not mere whim. It is underpinned by developments in the real economy. Interest rates are 4 per cent lower than a year ago. Consumer confidence is rising slowly. Pay is rising faster than prices, gradually adding to purchasing power. The financial position of the company sector is improving.

The signs do not yet suggest a boom in prospect. Growth next year will at best recoup this year's negative growth. It remains true that the government kept interest rates too high for too long and unnecessarily delayed recovery. But taken with the confidence indicators, these current indicators make it unlikely that the recession will continue.

Chancellors used to moan that they were in the position of a driver forced to steer by what be saw in the mirror. Only statistics of what had happened were available, and they frequently misled. Thanks to confidence indicators, that is no longer true. When Mr Lamont delivers his Mansion House speech tomorrow, he will have something better than a long-term weather forecast to go on.

MUSIC OF THE MOTORWAY

Trans-European highways were conceived by the Romans, who built and maintained some 50,000 miles of road for several centuries. Soviet domination of Eastern Europe bequeathed a legacy of potholes. Commerce not warfare is now the driving force behiod continental road-building. Two trans-European motorways are planned, east-west and oorth-south, linking the former communist states and the heartlands of capitalism. What will be their impact on

the lives of ordinary Europeans? The oorth-south octwork, first mooted 20 years ago, will stretch from the Baltic coast of Poland through Prague, Vienna and Budapest, with branches to Italy and the Balkans, ending in Turkey. Of the evectual 10.000km some 2,000km have been built since 1977; another 4,000km are in progress. its future depends on the hexagonal group. antechamber for the European Community" set up by Italy to give Eastern Europe another focus besides Germany. Since it was launched last year one member of the hexagon, Yugoslavia, has fallen apart. Luck of funds hinders progress everywhere. Hungary is paying for its motorways with

tolls; others may follow. The east-west motorway will coonect Berlin with Moscow, new Germany and new Russia, taking in Poland and the republic of Belorussia en route. This highway is intended to grease the German-Russian economic axis, already overloading the decrepit road from Warsaw to Poznan.

These vast routes will alter not only the economies but also the cultures of the countries through which they pass. They would be a powerful force for standardisation. A standard currency, probably the Deutschmark, might be needed to pay for tolls and petrol. Restaurants and hotels along the route would conform to common expectations, with a few big firms cootrolling most franchises. Driving rules would have to be agreed. Only etiquette, a far more constant expression of nationhood than food or clothes, would resist standardisation.

Those who have not driven in Eastern Europe cannot imagine what these new highways will mean to the lorry-driver, the business traveller and the tourist. To be able to drive at more than an average of 30mph would be a second liberation.

But for how long? Along with the trans-European highway will sooner or later come the trans-European traffic jam. A taste of this may persuade a few thoughtful people to eschew Tarmac and return to Europe's natural highways, more ancient even than those of the Romans. The Danube and its tributaries link the capitals of central Europe better than any motorway. No motorway has yet inspired music, as the Rhine and the Vitava did Schumann and Smetana. As the trans-European in transit pauses for refreshment at a Little Chef somewhere on the Moscow road, what will be the theme of the piped music he hears as he eats his caviareburger? The Volga boatman's song?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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So the main burden of justifying

euthanasia is a tenet common to Orthodox Jews, Christians and

The logic of accommodating "vol-

untary euthanasia" is now clear from the data provided by the

government committee of enquiry

(the Remmelink report) in The Netherlands. Of 49,000 deaths di-

rectly influenced by clinical manage-

ment in 1990, 19,675 (40 per cent)

Yours sincerely, LUKE GORMALLY (Director),

Sir, Dr Stephen Henderson Smith's

letter (October 21) is chilling, not so

much because of the conclusion be

reaches about learning to die "at the

right time" but because of the

thinking behind it that he expresses.

tion" and need to move on in the field of timely death might the time arise also to "absorb", for example, the killing of babies after birth if we

then found some reason? Would it

be a welcome sign that "attitudes to life have changed radically" if we

recognised that other, older, people

may not be qualified to decide "the

right time" for themselves and that

others may be better qualified to

The chipping away at the sanctity of life is frightening, immoral and dangerous. "Attitudes to life" have

not improved if Dr Smith's letter

and airlines alike, and its place as the

world's pre-eminent international air

gateway, did not come about by

accident. London has won its position

at the top of world air transport

through initiative and investment

over many years. The benefits to the

domestic economy are self-evident

prevarication over urgently-needed

development and expansion would

be a matter of the utmost regret to

us; but an occasion for rejoicing

among those continental European

cities who are actively planning to

Our philosophy is based on the

tried and trusted principle of build-

ing on existing strengths as the only

hypothesis that should develop-

ments such as Terminal 5 and the

rail-air link be further delayed or

dismissed, British Airways would

move elsewhere. We do not contem-

plate such a course of action.

Director of Public Affairs,

Your report seems to follow the

usurp our position.

logical way forward.

Yours faithfully, DAVID BURNSIDE

British Airways,

UK's international trade and the

To throw this situation away by

Brockley Elm House, Brockley, Blackwell, Bristol, Avon.

decide for them?

Yours faithfully,

October 21.

RUPERT RIDGE.

remains unchallenged.

If we have "absorbed ... abor-

The Linacre Centre, 60 Grove End Road, NW8.

From Mr Rupert Ridge

October 28,

Muslims.

Decision on individual's 'right to die' Finding the right voice for London

From the Chairman of the will think himself justified in killing From Mr Christopher Frazer li might help to remember two

From the Chairman of the Voluntary Euthanasia Society

Sir, There is simply no evidence to support the statement by Dame Cicely Saunders (letter, October 19) that "a "legalised right to die"... can lead to a presumed duty to die". Nor is there evidence for the difficulty which Dame Cicely sees in granting that right without under-mining the claims to care of the many.

Acknowledging the wish of people to control their lives does not make us less considerate of the needs of others. Dame Cicely would not care less for her patients if the law were changed. In any event the bill which this society has prepared has pro-visions to introduce safeguards, as far as it is practicable to do so, against improper pressure being

Similarly, Mr Colin Harte produces a fine non-sequitur (letter, October 19) by saying that "The proposed legislation, far from acknowledging a right to die . . . reveals a prejudice that vulnerable that the same people . . . do not deserve the same respect, dignity and proper medical care as other people".

It is extraordinarily difficult for opponents of voluntary enthanasia to see that its proponents do not wish to take anything from anyone, either openly or covertly, certainly not the skilled and loving care which the sick receive in hospices and elsewhere. We wish only to have the right to decide that we do not choose to avail ourselves of it if we believe that the short extra time that would be gained does not justify the indignity (not merely the pain) of incurable illness.

This society would strongly support the proposal in your leading article today for a commission of enquiry into euthanasia: thorough and open discussion of the issue is long overdue. Headed by someone of appropriate stature, such a com-mission could take the debate onto a plane where the intricate questions inherent in the subject are sufficiently clarified for the making of informed decisions.

Yours faithfully, MALCOLM HURWITT, Chairman, The Voluntary Euthanasia

Society - Exit, 13 Prince of Wales Terrace, W8. October 28.

From Mr Luke Gormally

Sir, Your second leader today confuses what is at issue in the debate over legalising voluntary enthanasia by speaking of a "de-cision to die" and a "right to live or die". What is at issue is legalisation doctors kill them, and legalisation, therefore, of the "justification" doc-tors will have for killing patients.

What is the relevant justification for killing that we are invited to accept? It cannot be simply that the patient has asked to be killed, nor that the patient takes a dim view of his or her existence. Doctors of all persuasions would set aside such requests if they believed the patient had continuing prospects of a worthwhile life. It is only if the doctor judges that the patient no longer has a worthwhile life that he

BA and Stansted From the Director of Public Affairs,

British Airways Sir, British Airways has no intention of moving its main UK operating base from Heathrow to Stansted, or anywhere else, contrary to your

report (October 29).

We have made it clear to govern ment, Parliament and press that the future of British civil aviation will be best served by concentrating infrastructure development in the South-East at Heathrow. This includes the construction of a fifth terminal in which all British Airways operations can be consolidated, instead of being spread across two separate terminals, as they are at present. We remain the only major airline which does not have its own single-terminal facility at its main

home base. It also includes the urgent construction of a rapid-transit rail link between Heathrow and the city centre. We believe further that the additional runway for London and the South-East, currently being considered by the Department of Transport, should be sited at Heath-

row.

Heathrow's position as the preferred London airport for passengers

Heathrow Airport (London),
Hounslow, Middlesex.
October 29.

Army releases

From Professor Alan Thompson Sir. The issue of civilian employment for ex-service personnel raised by Mr Andrew Freemantle (letter, October 25) deserves more attention by management in industry, com-merce and the public services.

There is little doubt that prejudice against ex-service applicants for jobs exists in all these sectors (although there are honourable exceptions). The stereotypes of Colonel Blimp or the wooden-headed sergeant-major (who no doubt once existed but can rarely be found today) still persist in the minds of some employers.

As an economist who has maintained close links over several decades with both the private and public sectors, I have come across these attitudes so frequently that, in references 1 write for ex-students who have served for a spell in the armed services, I have to stress the achievements and advantages of modern service life and try to dispel the false conceptions and prejudices. Modern service personnel receive training in management skills and,

no less important, in efficiency and loyalty in their appointed tasks. My impression is that management training is provided not only for officers but down to much lower ranks here than in many other countries. This was demonstrated in the Gulf war, where one was struck by the calm, assured, and impressive manner in which young people of all ranks expressed themselves in

television coverage.

Before the Gulf war fades from our memories we should remind ourselves of these facts, and bear in mind the aptitudes and energies that ex-service applicants can bring to civilian employment. Yours faithfully,

ALAN THOMPSON 11 Upper Gray Street, Edinhurgh 9.

From the Adiatant General Sir, Andrew Freemantle implies that our policy on releasing officers and soldiers from the army is designed solely to the advantage of the army and at the expense of the individual seeking re-employment. He should rest assured that, as the army goes through the present difficult process

Sir, I fear that Mr Green's sugges uon (letter, October 25) of a London MPs' grand committee will simply not work: many disparate, point-scoring voices are hardly the ideal recipe for strategic vision and executive implementation.

All sides in this debate accept that

cuthanasiast killing has to be borne not so much by the fact of a patient's request, hut by the responsible doctor's judgment that the patient's life is no longer worthwhile. The logic of such a position is that where choice cannot be exercised there can be no chieffon in missister to the concept of individual London boroughs will remain, whatever boundary changes and amalgam-ations (like the Joseph Rowntree be no objection in principle to killing incompetent patients whose lives are judged "worthless" or Foundation's idea of a central London super-borough, which you It is a fundamental assumption of our system of criminal justice that report today) may occur. So genuinely London-wide problems require a coordinating exhortatory every human being possesses worth and basic rights simply in virtue of being human. No human being is to be killed intentionally on the ground that he or she lacks a worthwhile figure with sufficient authority to be able to coax or cajole the boroughs to work together to produce London-wide solutions.

Mr Green's requested "authentic voice which will be heard with To discriminate between human beings in terms of "quality of life" is respect in Whitehall" must be heard to abandon a coherent conception of justice. All this ought to be recognisable by anyone with an and heeded by the town halls too. Only a directly-elected London-wide voice fits the bill. And the understanding of the foundations of people's voice would be all the more justice in our society, whether or not they think those foundations have a warrant in religious belief. authoritative if supported by an advisory council (senate) of men and women distinguished in those areas which concern every Lon-In any case, it is unworthy of you to seek to portray absolutist oppo-sition to cuthanasia as a peculiarity doner: most pressing are transport, blight, and London's position as a of Catholics. That is a propagandist leading world financial centre. device. Opposition to voluntary

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER FRAZER, 2 Harcourt Buildings, Temple, EC4.

From Mr Peter Bottomley, MP for Eltham (Conservative)

Sir, Damian Green echoes my belief that the need is for an authoritative forum for London, not an authority or extra administration.

were euthanasia deaths; of these, 13,816 were cases of non-voluntary and involuntary euthanasia. We have no need of a government committee of enquiry of our own. Members of Parliament do have links with every part of London, with each issue and with the problems and opportunities for the capital. The gains will come where there is agreement across parties and across borough boundaries.

The first step should be the reunification of the boroughs in one association. Labour can help by scrapping the ALA (Association of London Authorities).

Intelligence museum From Mr John Moe

Sir, Mr Nigel West, who suggests the establishment of a museum dealing with intelligence and special operations during the second world war ("Britain's secret history", October 12), may like to know that in August engagement as double 1970 our present king, then Crown the Mutt and Jeff team that operated Prince Harald, opened Norway's from London and Aberdeen be-Resistance Museum, housed in tween 1941 and 1944, feeding the Akershus Castle, Oslo.

German Ahwehr with deception

copies of about half the 10,000 or so movements. messages radioed by Norwegian resistance operators from Norwegian soil. Among them is the one received and deciphered in the UK, reporting the sinking of the Tirpitz,

Waiting for a heart

From Dr Margaret Y. A. Oliver Sir, Years ago my son John, aged 25, died in a road accident in Cam-bridge and was taken to Addenbrooke's Hospital. We were oot asked to donate organs and did not think of it until next day, when we were told it was too late. Now I still deeply regret this waste of his fine, healthy body.

He carried a donor card. Perhaps, if these were displayed in cars beside the hoence disc, Mrs Tansey's grandson (letter, October 24) might live. Yours truly,

MARGARET Y. A. OLIVER, East Morningside House, Edinburgh 8.

Family reunion

From Mrs Florence Somerville Sir, I was intrigued to see that you used as an illustration to

treasures in an empty box" (October 19) a long-forgotten photograph of myself, family and friends gathered round the television in 1954. We were watching one of the first party political broadcasts on our newlyacquired set.

You may be interested to know that the schoolboy on the right of the picture is my son, now director of the Reuter Foundation. Yours sincerely, F. SOMERVILLE,

15 Dryden Road. Bosh Hill Park.

Enfield Middlesex of reduction, the interests of the

riding priority. Naturally, we have to ensure that the army continues to be efficiently manned to perform its tasks bot overall the army's approach to the release of individual officers and soldiers will be as flexible as

individual will be given prime

consideration and often an over-

Inevitably there is a timetable for redundancies which limits the flexibility which can be shown to those receiving the redundancy terms. There is no such timetable for the majority who will leave in the normal course of their terms of service without these considerable benefits. Whether or not they receive redundancy payments the procedures will be used intelligently to place individuals in the best possible situation vis-a-vis civilian employ-

ment. Yours etc., DAVID RAMSBOTHAM, Ministry of Defence,

Whitehall, SW1. Business letters, page 27

li might help to remember two points about the disbanded GLC.

In the 1973 election (when I failed to defeat the incumbent) there was not one public question to either of us about llea (the former Inner London Education Authority) or GLC functions or actions. No

accountability.

The GLC did manage to huild homes for 5,000 on a goods yard in southeast London; but for five years there was no puh, no church or chapel, no post office and no police

post. No humanity.
Leave the responsibilities where they are, at least for a period. Add the parliamentary forum, in West-minster or in a separate chamber. Yours faithfully, PETER BOTTOMLEY,

House of Commons.

From Mr Gerald Isaaman

Sir, As someone aspiring to repre-sent Londoners in the House of Commons, Damian Green appears to suffer from some of the hlinkered idealism of his political opponent in Brent East [Ken Livingstone]. If MPs were a true voice for London. then why haven't we heard them. individually or collectively, speak-

ing out vociferously in the past?
In reality, as Mr Green will discover if he is successful at the polls, the majority of them are but lobby fodder, playing follow the leader. Look where that took them when twice in past times Conservalive governments have played politics with local government in the metropolis, helping to create the

current mess. It is good to see that the future of London is now seriously on the political agenda. What Mr Green must appreciate is that it is part of a wider process involving not only the way that this great city is run for the benefit of those who live and work in it, but also the reform of our inadequate electoral and parliamentary system. It no longer reflects either our needs or desires. Yours sincerely,

GERALD ISAAMAN (Editor). Hompstead & Highgote Express. Marlborough House, 179-189 Finchley Road, NW3.

before the attacking aircraft and brave crew had returned to their

These messages are available here in English translation and may well be of interest to the proposed new

 My interest is inspired by my own engagement as double agent Mutt of the Mutt and Jeff team that operated In its archives this museum has messages regarding Allied troop

Yours faithfully, JOHN MOE, Mikkel Revs vei 65, N 0688 Oslo, Norway. October 24.

Cheque from Libya

From Mr Peter Jackson

Sir, The decision by the Police Dependants' Trust to refuse money from Libya (report, October 19) is no doubt well meant, but mistaken.

Of course, no amount of money can compensate for the death of WPC Yvonne Fletcher or the harm caused by support of the IRA, but it should nevertheless be accepted as a gesture and a first step towards acknowledgement that Libya's actions were wrong. One of the most difficult things for anyone to say is "sorry"

particularly when entrenched stands have been take over time. Which is why so often we, and even more so other cultures where customs and practice differ, resort to codes when taking that embarrassing first step towards admission of guilt. Emotional talk of "hlood money"

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is unhelpful. There is no evidence that Colonel Gadaffi has demanded or expects anything in return; the money should be accepted for what it clearly is, a first step towards a dialogue which may be more fruitful not only for UK-Libyan relations but also with regard to the world need for a settlement of Middle East conflicts.

It was right for Britain to take a moral stand over, for example, the Faiklands or Kuwait; but positive, forward-looking use of diplomacy might have avoided both.

There is a time for taking moral stances and a time for statesmanship and building bridges. I hope the Police Dependants' Trust will think egain and the government take a lead by responding in a mature manner to Libyan overtures. Yours faithfully, PETER JACKSON,

24a Western Avenue Branksome Park, Poole, Dorset.

Mythmatched From Mt Fritz Spiegl

Sir, I once found I Leap Over the Wall, in which Monica Baldwin recounted her escape from an enclosed order of nuns, on a bookshelf labelied "Athletics". That was almost as good, I think, as the library index reference I heard of where Chiang Kai-shek was tracked down under "ISSIMO, General. Chiang Kai-shek".

Yours faithfully, FRITZ SPIEGL Windermere Terrace, Liverpool 8, Merseyside. October 29.

Letters to the editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number -(071 782 5046).



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 29. The Queen held an investiture at Buckingham Pal-

ace this morning.

His Holiness Patriarch II of
Moscow and All the Russias and The Archbishop of Canterbury were received by The Queen. The Right Hon John Major, MP. (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) bad an audience of Her Majesty this

afternoon.
The Earl of Westmorland was received in andience by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Master of the Horse when her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order. The Countess of West-mortand was also received by

Her Majesty. The Duke of York, Honorary Commander of the Sea Cadets Corps, attended the TS Royalist Gala Banquet at St James's

Captain Alexander Baillie-Hamilton was in attendance. This afternoon The Princess Royal arrived at RAF Lyneham from Celle, Germany.
Mrs Timothy Holderness-Roddam was in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE October 29: Dame Frances Campbell-Preston bas suc-Campbell-residu bas succeeded Miss Jane Walker-Okeover as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

KENSINGTON PALACE October 29; The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon visited Christ College, Brecon, today in commemoration of the 450th anniversary of its founda-

tion, and opened the new Science Building. Her Royal Highness was

received by Her Majesty's Lord

Lieutenant for Powys (Mr Mervyn Bourdillon). The Hon Mrs Whitehead and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick were in attendance. The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Patron, Northern Ballet Theatre, was present this evening at a Gala performance of Romeo and Julies at the Royalty Theatre, Portugal Street, London WC2.

endish was in attendance.

Her Royal Highness, Colonelin-Chief, The Royal Highland
Fusiliers (Princess Margarer's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment), was represented by Colonel Blair Agnew at the funeral of Brigudier Ian Buchanan-Dunlop which was held at the Parish Church, Broughton, Lanarkshire this

The Lady Elizabeth Cav-

KENSINGTON PALACE KENSINGTON PALACE
October 29: The Duke of
Gloucester this afternoon
attended a Reception given by
the Archbishop of Canterbury
and Mrs Carey in honour of His
Holiness Patriarch Alexii II of
Moscow and All the Russias in
the Lengthan Chapter West the Jerusalem Chamber, West-minster Abbey, London SWI. Major Nicholas Barne was in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE October 29; The Duchess of Kent, Patron of Age Concern England, this afternoon opened the new Day Care Centre, Oal Lane, Finchley, London N2. Mrs David Napier was in

Appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Jonathan Frederic Parker,

QC, to be a Justice of the High Court, assigned to the Chancery

Sir Alastair Currie to be

President of the Royal Society of

Edinburgh, in succession to Professor Charles Kemball.

The following have been

appointed Deputy Lieutenants

Lord Bellwin; Mr John James

Mr R. Barrington and Miss O. Nutting The marriage took place on Saturday, October 26, between Mr Rupert Barrington, son of

Major Laurie Barrington and Mrs John Green, and Miss

Olivia Nutting, daughter of Mr Nicholas Nutting and Mrs Caroline Nutting. The Rev Dennis Ackroyd officiated, assisted by the Rev Harry Cook.

The bride, who was given in marriage by ber father, was attended by Charles and Kate

Underwood, Louise Coghlan. Tessa Scott, Milly Skene and Oliver Custance Baker. Mr

Mark Fenwick was best man.

Royal Institute

of Navigation

The reception was held at the home of the bride.

The following have been elected

Marriage

Memorial services

A memorial service for Lady Edmund-Davies was held yes-terday at the Church of St John the Baptist, Fladbury, near Pershore, Hereford and Worcester. Canon John Champion officiated, assisted by the Rev Barbara Stanford, Miss Belinda Worlock, granddaughter, read the lesson and the Hon Mrs Alan Large, daughter, read a poem by A. Price Hughes. Canon Champion and Dr F. Worlock, son-in-law, gave ad-

Lieutenant-Colonel Stuart Chant-Sempill

A memorial Mass for Lieutenant-Colonel Stuart Chant-Sempill was celebrated by Father Alastair Russell yes-terday at the Church of the Holy Hon Ian Chanl-Sempill, son, and Mr John Shaw read the lessons. Group Captain William Among others present were: Lady Sempill (widow), My and the Hon Mrs David Russell uson-in-law and daughter). Mr and Mrs William Robbins (byother-in-law and stater), Mr and in the Hon Mrs Beig Deranzi-Forbes-Sempill. Mr William Forbes-Cable, Mr Malcolm Forbes-Cable, Mrs William Blackwood, Mrs Darek Strates.

Luncheons

Consular Corps of Loudon The Cuban Ambassador was the guest speaker at n luncheon of the Consular Corps of London held yesterday at the Britannia Hotel, Grosvenor Square, Mr William Wilder, president, was

Maple Leaf Luncheon Club Mr Robert F. Nixon, Agent General for Ontario, was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Maple Leaf Luncheon Club held yesterday at Over-Seas House, St James's, Mrs Judith M. Steiner, chairman, presided and the Agent General for British Columbia also spoke.

Professor Sir Norman Rowntree

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Professor Sir Norman Andrew Forster Rowntree, BScEng DSc FEng, former President of the Institution of Civil Engineers, will be held at St Manyle-Strand, Lordon at St Mary-le-Strand, London, nt 11.30 am on Tuesday, Novem-ber 5, 1991. All colleagues and

Birthdays today

Dr Yvonne Barton, manager of special projects. British Gas, 35; Sir Charles Brett, former chair-man, International Fund for man, International Fund for Ireland, 63: Lord Chilver, 65; Sir Robert Clayton, electrical engineer, 76; Sir Robert Easton, chairman, Yarrow Shipbuilders, 69: Sir Christopher Foster, economist, 61; Sir Sydney Giffard, diplomat, 65; Viscount Greenwood, 77; Mr J.S. McGreer, economer chairman McGregor, former chairman, Honeywell, 64; M Louis Malle, film director. 59, Mr Guthrie Moir, former controller, educational and religious programmes, Thames Television, 74: Lord Robertson, 79; Sir William Shelton, MP, 62; Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Swinburn, 54; Admiral Sir Gordon Tait, 70; Sir David Wilson, director, British Museum, 60; Mr Michael Winner, film pro-

to Council: President: Mr N B Dahl: vicepresidents: Rear Admiral R O Morris and Mr R H J W Bridge honoras read of the H J W Bridge honoras Captain D W Broughton: Chairman of the membersido and fellowish commilite: Mr O M Page: members of council: Professor V Ashkenazi. Mr C M O Seatty, Air Commodors N Bonnor. Captain A N Cockeroft. Dr M J Dove. Dr R Johannessen. Dr J D Last. Mr J Mitchell, Captain B G Ross. Captain R A Smith, RN. Today's royal engagements

The Queen will open the new

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will attend a reception given by the National Associ-ation of Leagues of Hospital Friends at 1 Carlton House Gardens at 6.00.

The Duchess of York will attend a gala evening presenting Lindka Cierach's aulumn couture collection at Syon House, Isleworth, at 8.15 in aid of WRAC, will attend the Director's conference at the Ministry Dr. Rich Paul O'Gorman Foundation.

The Queen will open the new bridge over the River Thames at the Dartford-Thurrock crossing at 11.00.

Oueen Elizabeth the Oueen annual meeting at the Cafe

Royal at 11.00. Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, as President of the National Gardens Scheme, will nttend the nanual meeting at the Commonwealth Institute at

The Duchess of Kent, as Controller Commandant of the was admitted to membership. Dr Richard Stephenson

OBITUARIES

SHEIKH MUHAMMAD ABU-SHAKRA

Sheikh Muhammad Abu-Shakra, the Druze spiritual leader, died on October 24 at Badaran in the Shouf mountains of Lebanon aged 81. He was born in Ammadour in the same region in 1910.

SHEIKH Muhammad Abu-Shakra was the most prominent leader of the Druze religion, a faith dating back to the early years of the 11th century with many pre-Is-lamic beliefs, and might be described as the sect's first paramount spiritual chief for centuries. A politically aware figure, he took steps to reform the ancient set ways of the sect and to unify its clergy. He was given the title of Sheikh el-Aql (prince of wisdom).

He was born in the village of Ammadour, a short distance to the south of Al Mukhtara, the seat of power of the Jumhlatt family, and received his early education there. His father, Sheikh Dawood Abu-Shakra, was a minor landowner known for his piety, his family having previously pro-duced two sheikh el-aqls. Muhammad also inherited

from his father an involvement in Arah nationalist politics at a time when the region was passing through the turmoil of achieving independence from Ottoman Turkey and, later, from France and Britain. However, though Druze leaders were often at the forefront of the struggle for independence, their participation may have been partly out of their fear of persecution at the hands of orthodox Muslims on grounds of heresy. They hoped that such participation would gain for their secretive sect, which has a number of important differences with Islamie dogma, political leader of the Druze, lated that henceforth there Bahjat Gaith, aged 50, as the greater acceptance.



Sheikh Muhammad worked sequently kept close to in Damascus for some time as Jumblatt's Progressive Socialthe owner of a bus company ist party. In 1970, after the before 1949, when he was death of the last rival sheikh elected one of the three sheikh el-aql, Sheikh Muhammad el-agls of the Druzes of Leba- was acknowledged to be the Jumhlatt, the most powerful Lebanese parliament stipu- 23 he nominated Sheikh and Sheikh Muhammad sub- would be only one Druze new sheikh el-aql.

cleric bearing that title. The act further consolidated Sheikh Muhammad's fame and extended his influence into Syria and Israel, making him the only universally recognised sheikh el-aql among the 1.1 million Druze in the Middle East Following the assassination

of Kamal Jumblatt in 1977, the latter's son and successor Walid found it advisable to consult Sheikh Muhammad regularly on important decisions and a partnership developed between the old sage and the playboy prince. One of the fruits of the new relationship was the erection of an impressive community centre in Beirut for the sect. and the concentration of Druze law courts there.

An important reform initiated by Sheikh Muhammad was the modernisation of the Druze judiciary, which had become hereditary. Another was the setting up of an elected council of elders, the Majlis al-Mazhabi. But though he tried to reduce the dogmatic divergences between the sect and Islam, such basic beliefs and practices as reincarnation and monogamy were left in place.

A tall man with a light complexion, Sheikh Muhammad made an impressive figure with his white beard. He was also a witty speaker and remained accessible to his followers as well as to outsiders. He regularly met cleries from the other faiths of Lebanon in order to bring peace to the country.

He is survived by his wife, non. The nomination had the supreme spiritual leader of the four sons and two daughters. crucial backing of Kamal community, and an act of the On his death bed on October

PROFESSOR GEORG SCHWARZENBERGER

international law at London ities and powers of clear University, has died aged 83. He was born оп Моу 20, 1908.

GEORG Schwarzenberger was a major influence in the intellectual milieu of public international law both in this country and beyond, and his legacy includes a series of substantial publications and holding office in developing

Schwarzenberger was born in Germany. Holding social democratie opinions and being Jewish, it was inevitable that he would leave Germany after Hitler came to power. From 1938 until his retirement in 1975 he taught international law at University College, London, holding the chair from 1962 onwards. In this role he not only exerted

published, subtitled "A Study of International Society". In this, his pioneer work, he including the concept of fresher, and less welcome, in its time. In this book and geoerally Schwarzenberger and Tühingen. applied an inter-disciplinary He is survived hy approach, the attractions of widow, Suse, and one son.

Professor Georg Schwarz- which were enhanced as an enberger, emeritus professor of result of his polymath distinction.

exposition. This "sociological" contribution is to be distinguished from his writings on international law as such, which were orthodox, useful, carefully organised and well researched. A leading example influence will endure. His of such writings is the series of volumes entitled International Law as applied by numbers of former pupils now International Courts and Tribunals. Whilst his ordinary legal writing was 10 a certain extent influenced by his sociological side, some lawyers have tended to ignore his legal writing on the unfounded assumption that it was too pervaded by power politics

thinking. Schwarzenberger had great integrity and independence of mind and was tolerant of dissenters. Unfortunately, his forthright expression of opininfluence within his own fac- ion and rather autocratic style ulty of law hut played a caused some to keep their significant role in the development of the postgraduate ticism, often repeated, of the degree by examination, the more idealistic elements in the Master of Laws, within the theory of international law University of London as a after 1945 seemed at times too whole. His teaching activity inflexible and unqualified. In was accompanied by an the same vein, he not only impressive flow of publica- subjected the work of the tions and the promotion of the International Court of Justice London Institute of World to the ordinary level of criti-Affairs and the Year Book of cism hut, on occasion, could World Affairs.

In 1941 Power Politics was of Evelyn Waugh, applied produce excoriations worthy with a little too much relish.

Those who got to know him found a likeable and wholly created a synthesis between consistent character who was law and other elements, never dull. His demise involves a loss of yet another power. His view that inter- link with the intellectual world national society is based on of pre-Hitler Europe, Schwarz-"power politics" may now enberger was educated at seem ohvious hut was much Karls-Gymnasium, Heilbronn, and the universities of Heidelberg, Frankfurt, Berlin

He is survived hy his

PETER WILLES

Peter Willes, OBE, actor and television producer, died in Gloucester on October 22 aged 78. He was born in London on April 30, 1913.

De La Torra,
Lientenant-Colonel M H Burge (Cordon Highlanders London Association).
Mr Dick Bradley (No 2 Commundo).
Major J G Heron (No 5 Commundo).
Mr John Urs (No 12 and 3
Commando). Mr Max Craem (president, Wasps Rughy Footbal Club)
with Mr W B Godfrey; Dr Anthony A
Craigen Combridge University Rogary
Cubb). Mr Dayld Frost (The Guerdiad).
Society Causain Philips pro-Austrians. PETER Willes was frequently described by colleagues as working on a very short fuse. He was, however, a considerate man who commanded great respect from the Mr and Mrs Peter Bowring, Mr and Mrs Anthony Delbas, Mr and Mrs David Delbas, Mr and Mrs Devid Delbas, Mr and Mrs Heddall, Colonel Bob Monipomery, Leutenant-Colonel C E Price, Mr directors, crew and actors by his side. Arguments during his early years at Associated Rediffusion where he was with light entertainment and drama were legendary. But he was a team leader who cared passionately about programmes and would where necessary accept another's point of view.

Willes, an only child, was educated at Stowe. His father was a county court judge from a Warwick-shire landed family. After a brief time working in a literary agency Peter Willes made up his mind to become an actor and took himself off to Hollywood. He appeared in two films, The Dawn Patrol (1938) with David Niven, and Idiot's Delight (1939), which even with Clark Gable in the cast was a flop. Years later, working as a television producer, Willes never forgot what Lord Bellwin; Mr John James
Edward Brennan; Mr George
Harrison Cox; Mr David
Fearnley; Mr Ernest Hall; Mr J.
Donald Haywood; Mr Robin
Authony Smith; Mr Charles
Wilfred David Sutcliffe; Mr
Nicholas Joseph Sykes Walker;
Mr Victor Hugo Watson.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: John Adams, 2nd president of the USA 1797-1801, Quincy, Massachusetts, 1735; Angelica Kauffmann, painter, Chur, Switzerland, 1741; Richard Brinsley Sher-

idan, dramatist and politician, Dublin, 1751; André Marie de Chénier, poet, Istanbul, 1762; Fyodor Dostoyevsky, novelist, Moscow, 1821; Alfred Sisley, Impressionist painter, Paris, 1839; Paul Valéry, poet, Sète, France, 1871; Fran Pound poet, Paris, 1871; Paris, Paris, 1871; Paris, Paris, 1871; Paris, Paris, 1871; Paris, P

1839; Paul Valery, poet, Sète, France, 1871; Ezra Pound, poet, Hailey, Idaho, 1885; Gerhard Domagk, biochemist, Nobel laureate 1939, Lagow, Germany, 1895.
DEATHS: Edmund Cartwright, inventor of the power loom, Hastings, 1823; John Chubb, safe maker, London, 1872; Sir John Ahbott, prime minister of

John Ahbott, prime minister of Canada 1891-92, Montreal, 1893; Jean Henri Dunant, founder of the International Red Cross, Heiden, Switzerland.

1910; Sir Charles Tupper, prime minister of Canada 1896, Bexley

Heath, 1915; Bonar Law, prime minister 1922-23, London, 1923; Pio Baroja, novelist, Madrid, 1956; Jim Mollison, avintor, 1959; Sir Barnes Wallis, engineer, 1979. The Yeomen of

the Guard was founded by Henry VII, 1485.

7th Armoured Divison Officers'

General Sir Thomas Pearson

President of the 7th Armoured Division Officers' Club, pre-sided at the annual dinner held

last night at the Naval and

Military Club. General Sir Peter

de la Billière was the speaker.

The annual meeting of the Mad Hatters Club took place at the

Highbullen Hosel, Chittleham-holt, Devon, on Saturday, Octo-

ber 26, 1991. Mr John Brasted

Among those present were:

Meeting

Mad Hatters Club

Service dinner

it felt like to be an actor. He was encouraging to young actresses such as Anna Massey who appeared in many of his Yorkshire TV product-

When he came home from Hollywood in 1940 he was immediately commissioned into the 12th Lancers and posted to the Middle East. During three years in active service Willes displayed qualities of leadership and courage which were later to innovative drama producer. (He was appointed OBE in 1971 and in 1974 received the Royal Television Society Silver Medal for outstanding achievement). He had been badly wounded in February 1943 when an anti-tank round smashed his armoured car. Taken prisoner, he was repatriated only because of the scriousness of his injuries. Both legs were shattered and for the rest of his life Willes walked with a limp.

In 1947 he became Vic Oliver's road manager. The long hours demanded by Oliver proved an excellent training ground for a career in television. At Associated Rediffusion he was in the habit of telephoning his colleague, the theatre and TV director Joan Kemp-Welch, at 7.30am to discuss a



production. Willes joined Associated Rediffusion on April 1, 1955 as a talent scout/producer.

In light entertainment he produced a show called Hotel Imperial which featured a huge orchestra conducted by the man he had once managed, Vic Oliver. Willes was one of the first producers to link outside broadcasts live to the studio, masterminding what was then a

technically daring extravaganza with actors, singers and dancers linked up to far apart locations. Even so Peter Willes was an ideas man not a technical one. For him performance was all and he relied on the expertise of his crew for everything else.

Contrary to popular belief Willes was not entirely responsible for Associated Rediffusion's police series No Hiding Place. This was in two earlier series, Crimesheet and Murder Bag. Produced by Willes the idea came from Associated Rediffusion's former head of security Glyn (George) Davies, an ex-detective inspector who had contacts in the CID.

In drama Willes brought Harold Pinter, John Osborne, and Joe Orton to the television screen near the start of their careers. After generally bad reviews of The Birthday Party (only James Agate had anything good to say about it), Pinter sent a copy of the play to Peter Willes. He read it and sent it to Joan Kemp-Welch asking for her opinion. Both agreed it would make marvellous television. Willes went ahead - to great critical acclaim. Harold Pinter wrote three plays for

Collection and The Lover. At Yorkshire Television, where Willes was head of drama from 1966 to 1978. an early major success was Justice is o Woman, starring Margaret Lockwood. He produced Arthur Miller's play A View from the Bridge, having been told Paramount had the rights and the only way the play could be done for televisies was a live performance. There was to be no recording. The challenge was takeo up.

Peter Willes, Night School, The

Another adventurous idea was a version of Sophocles's Electra, acted in Greek for Rediffusion. Having heard of an American production of Electra in Greek, Willes and Joan Kemp-Welch went to Greece to look for a Greek company. Those who told Willes his idea would never work for an English audience were proved wrong.

Willes was withy and acerbic, a stylish man who wore formal grey suits around the studio. At weekends he would entertain friends, within and without his workforce, at Sunday morning parties in his flat near Marhle Arch. For a long time the duties of host were shared by a male companion who, tragically for Peter Willes, committed suicide.

Horticulture

Basking in the golden glow of autumn medals

By ALAN TOOGOOD, HORTICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

but Sheffield Park Gardens, of Uckfield, East Sussex, have a fiery display which is lighting up the Royal Horticultural Society's late autumn flower show at Westminster. Sheffield Park has staged

a magnificent collection of are showing recently in-trees, shrubs and other plants troduced white forms of sevwith brilliant leaf tints and berries, and have deservedly been awarded a gold medal. The colour is provided by such as pewter and green mainly North American zoned C. graecum album. plants, such as Acer rubrum 'October Giory', one of the best maples for autumn tints, the leaves turning to flame

Burncoose and South Down Nurseries, of Redruth, Cornwall, have also been awarded a gold medal for autumn colourand other ornamental plants. exhibitor, Stonehurst Nurs-They are featuring one of the eries, of Ardingly, West Susbest dwarf shrubs for autumn sex, are perhaps too spaced 'Firepower', whose leaves turn flowers to advantage. brilliant red.

Also featuring autumn colour is Starborough Nursery, of Edenhridge. Kent, whose Forest, of Leeds, thickly cover group of Leucothoe axillaris driftwood and rocks. A Scarletta', with evergreen wil- distinctive species being today from 10.00 am to lowy leaves that turn brilliant shown for the first time is 5.00 pm.

Michael Clayton

A memorial service for Michael Clayton will be held on Monday, November 11, at noon at St James's Church, Piccadilly,

THIS is not a particularly deep red in autumn, and Tillandsia latifolia, and its good year for autumn colour Fothergilla Blue Mist', which dwarf form T. I. minor, which has glaucous foliage, is creat- forms grey star-shaped roing dramatie contrast in

All of the autumn-flowering species of cyclamen have been staged by the Cyclamen Society, of Benenden, Kent They eral, including C. cilicium and C. graecum, and species selected for good leaf markings,

The show also features cacti and succulents, orchids and other exotic plants. Nutfield Nurseries, of South Nutfield, Surrey, have been awarded a gold medal for a collection of succulent echeverias and similar plants. The pink and white phalacuopsis and paphioing and flowering trees, shrubs pedilum orchids from a new tints: Nandina domestica out but this shows the shapely

> On the other hand, the air plants or atmospheric tillandsias from The Tropical Rain

The Lord Mayor of West-

Hall yesterday to wives of Ambassadors and High

minster was At Home at City

At Home

settes. This rock-dwelling Peruvian thrives in dry arid conditions in the wild.

The RHS competition for ornamental plants also belies the fact that this is not one of the best years for autumn tints as it is very well supported and contributes much of the colour to the show. The Stephenson R. Clarke cup for trees and shrubs with autumn fruits has been won by R. D. Kleinwort, of Haywards Heath, West Sussex, whose exhibits includes a particularly distinctive cotoneaster with cotal-pink berries named

Heaselands Coral'. The National Trust's Winkworth Arboretum, of Godalming, Surrey, is also a leading prizewinner and is featuring trees and shrubs noted for leaf tints. Particularly praiseworthy is a largeleaved hirch with pure deep yellow autumn colour. Betula medwediewii.

The show, in the New Horticultural Hall, Greycost Street, Westminster, is open-

State visit

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will pay n state visit to Germany in October next year, Buckingham Palace

Connecticut.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr G.F.H. Brechin and Miss V. Gray and Miss V. Gray
The engagement is announced between Graeme, elder son of Mr and Mrs David R. C. Brechin, of Colinton, Edinburgh, and Virginia, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs James T.W. Gray, of Largiemeanoch, Biggar.

Mr A.R. Fitzalan Howard and the Hon J.E. Vernon The engagement is announced between Alexander, son of Lord and Lady Michael Fitzalan Howard, and Joanna, daughter of Lord Vernon and of Sheila, Lady Vernon. Lady Vernon.

Captain A.J.R. Haig and Miss P.E.P. Mackechnic The engagement is announced between Alexander James Haig. Army Air Corps, son of Mr and

Mr J.C. Hearn and Miss J.M. Colc The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of the late Major John Hearn, of the late Major John Hearn, MC, and of Mrs Anthony Tabor and stepson of Mr Anthony Tabor, of Chatnole, Dorset, and Johanna, daughter of Mr and Mrs Eric Cole, of Westport,

Mr H.N. Jacobs

Mr J.A.B. Baytiss
and Miss S.E. Bowes
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, eldest son of Mr Jeremy and the Hon Mrs Bayliss, of Swallowfield, Berkshire, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Bowes, of Enton, Surrey.

Mr N.P. Hursfall and Miss C.R. Heatley
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Dr and Mrs G. A. Horsfall, of Knaresborough. North Yorkshire, and Clare, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs F.W. Heatley, of Pyrford, Surrey.

Mr M.E. Johnston and Mrs C. Cave
The engagement is announced
hetween Mr Michael E. hetween Mr Michael E. Johnston, of Flat 7/151 Mortlake High Street, SW14, and Mrs Clare Cave (nee Stevenson) of 96 Archway Street, Barnes, SW13.

Mr H.G. Lewis
and Miss N. May
The engagement is announced
between Harry, son of Mr and
Mrs H.G. Lewis, of Sutton
Mawr, near Barry, South
Glumorgan, and Nicola,
daughter of Mr and Mrs P.B.H.
May, of Hatch House, Liphook,
Hampshire.

Captain D.M.F.X. Millie Royal Australian Regiment and Miss M.F.E. Mellisb The engagement is announced between Daniel, eldest son of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. David Millie, of Hawthorn, Mrs Ian Haig, of Brockstone, Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs House, Worcestershire, and Philippa Ellen, daughter of Mr Australia. and Margaret. Twickenham, Middlescx. younger daughter of Wing Commander and Mrs P.J. Mellish, of Walton on Thames.

Mr I.C. Roff and Mrs J.A. Casey
The engagement is announced between lan. son of Mr and Mrs S. Ruff. of Charlton Marshall.
Dorset, and Judith Casey.
of Bahraham Cambridge. of Babraham. Cambridge, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Hall. of Baldwin's Gate. Staffordshire.

Mr H.N. Jacoba and Miss C.E. Guinness
The engagement is announced between Hugo Nieholas, younger son of Mr and Mrs David Jacobs, of Chute Forest House, Andover, Hampshire, and Clare Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Guinness, of Lodge Park, Straffan, County Kildare.

Mr P.M. Village and Miss A.H. Wallis between Peter, youngest son of Mrs Margaret Village and of Mrs Margaret Village of Curbar Derbyshire, and Helen, and the line Mrs Wallis, of Lonan, Isle of Man.

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Cheltenham. to Penelope
(née Letts) and John. a
daughter. Georgia Sophie
Frances, a sister for Anthony and Hugo.

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Richard, R son, Charles
Henry Fitzgerald,

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22nd. to Krile (née SandysRenton) and Guy. a
daughter. Polly Charlotte.

WATERS - On October 29th
1991, at Barking Hospital, to
Sharon and Keith, a son,
Matthew Keith, a brother for
George and Charles.

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DAVID - On October 25th, at

Sue Ryder Home.

DAVID - On October 26th, at home. Rith Etolle (nee de Breenski) aged 93 years. Wife of the late Henry David. Mother of Paul and Mary. Grandmother of Matthew. Louise. William. Edward. Joseph. Lzn. Anne. Jane and great-grandmother. Funeral Mass at Holy Rood Catholic Church, Pevensey Bay, Sussex. on Tuesday November 5th at 11 am. Flowers and enquiries to Thomas Rich Ltd.. 46 South Road, Hafisham. East Sussex. let: (0323) 840049.

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THOMAS - On October 25th

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THOMAS - On October 25th, peacefully to her 100th year at 24 Kenflworth Road. Learnington Spa, Lilian Edith Tom', greatly loved teacher and friend. Funeral Service at 2 pm on Tuesday November 5th at Hoty Trinity Church, Beauchamp Avenue, Learnington Spa, Alher request no flowers, but donations if desired to Christian Aid. Leiters and donations for Christian Aid c/o The John Taylor Funeral Service, 1A Russell Terrace, Learnington Spa, tel: (0926) 425002.

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Surrey, 10.30 am on
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batten of Burma in 1947. RESIGNATION OF PRINCE LOUIS

Prince Louis of Battenberg has resigned his appointment as First Sea Lord. We understand that his successor is Lord Fisher of Kilverstone.

of the Admiralty. 28th October, 1914.

LOUIS BATTENBERG

29th October, 1914. My dear Prince Louis, - This is no ordinary war, but a atruggle between nations fur life or death. It raises passions between races of the most terrible kind. It effaces the old land-T cannot further uppuse the wish you have during the last few weeks expressed to me to be released from the NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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Dated this 18th day of October

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Edward A S R Gereis

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With such information concerning the Companies affairs as the pr
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ber 1991, at 2 30 p.m., for the purposes of having laid before it a copy of the report prepared by the Administrative Receivers under Section 48 of the said Act. The meeting may, if if it links file establish it creditors' committee to exercise the lumitions conferred on, by, or under the Act. Creditors are only entitled to tofe if (a) they have delit cred to us at the address shown above, no baseline at the address shown above, no take then at 2.00 hours on the business day before the meeting, written details of the debts they claim to be due, and the claim has been duly admired their like proximos of the insolvency Rules 1986 and the liberten has been lodged with us any proxy which the creditor tolerids to use on his behalf.
Dated 24 October 1991 listan Mills and Peter Authory Lowerner.

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OCTOBER 30 ON THIS DAY

Prince Louis of Battenberg, son of Prince Alexander of Hesse, became o British subject un entering the Royal Navy in 1868. He served with great distinction, becoming in 1912 First Sea Lord. But the British public could not furgive him his German origin. His younger son, Louis, fared better, being created Eorl Mount-

The following currespondence has passed between H.S.H. Admiral Prince ouis of Battenberg and the First Lord

Dear Mr. Churchill, - I have lately been driven to the painful conclusion that at this juncture my birth and parentage have the effect of impairing in some respects my usefulness on the Board of Admiralty. In those circumstances I feel it to be my duty, as a loyal subject of His Majesty, to resign the office of First Sea Lord, hoping thereby to facilitate the task of the administration of the great Service, to which I have devoted my Service, to which I have devoted my life, and to ease the burden laid on H.M. Ministers. - I am, yours very truly,

burden of responsibility which you have borne thus far with so much bonour and success. The anxieties and toils which rest upon the naval administration of which you speak, I could not at this adopted country.

juncture in fairness ask you to support The Navy of today, and still more the

Navy of tomorrow, bears the imprint of your work. The enormous impending influx of capital ships, the score of 30knot cruisers, the destroyers and submarines unequalled in modern construction which are coming now to hand, are the results of labours which we have had io common, and in which the Board of Admiralty owe so much to your aid.
The first step which secured the

timely concentration of the Fleet was taken by you

I must express publicly my deep indebtedness to you, and the pain I feel at the severance of our three years' ufficial association. Io all the circumstances you are right in your decision. The spirit in which you have acted is the same in which Prince Maurice of Battenberg has given his life to our cause, and in which your gallant soo is now serving in the Fleet. I beg you to accept my profound respect and that uf our colleagues on the

Board. — (remain. Yours very sincerely. WINSTON S. CHURCHILL

...We regret it because his action is unquestionably the result of o campaign of suggestion — part of it honest if ill-timed, part of it monstrously unjust avainst his remaining head of the Navy in present circumstances. This campaign has taken two main directions.
He has been uponly accused of weakness
in allowing the sailor's point uf view to
be swept into the background by the
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masterial personality of MR. CHUR.
CHILL.

He has also been attacked, by hardly
less open gossip and innucodu, for his
German birth, and it is upon this
ground that his resignation is based and
has been accepted by the Government.

Neither charge hes received any country neither charge has received any counte-nance in these columns. But this much at least may be said. The first charge, in so far as it had any justification in fact, was an impeachment, not of PRINCE LOUIS alone, but of his colleagues and immediate preferessors of his colleagues. immediate predecessors, of his political chief, and of the whole deliberate process by which the Board of Admirally has been deprived in recent

years of its proper authority.
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NEW RELEASES

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◆ DEAD AGAIN (15): An L.A. scisso murder from the Forties returns to heunt Kenneth Branagh and Emma Thompson, Nonsensical, over-the-top suspense thriller, Branagh directs. Cannons: Futhern Road (071-370 2536) Panton Street (071-830 0631) Empire (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-792

DOCTEUR PETIOT (12): French serial killer (Nichel Serrault, chilling) soumes round Naza-occupied Paris. Boldly styled in German Expressionist hues; director, in German Expressionist hu Christian de Chalonge. Everyman (071-435 1525).

 FLIRTING (12): Steps to maturity at secrecited Aussie boarding achools in P-INTING (12): Steps to mixturity at segregated Aussale boxerling schools in 1965, Delightful sequel to The Year My Voice Brothe from director John Duigan. With Noah Taylor, Thandie Newton, Cannons: Chelsee (071-852 5095) Piccadilly (071-857 5651) Tothanham Court Road (071-536 5148).

HOMICIDE (15): David Memet's study of a Jawish cop in New York's snake pit: sturted as drama, but a whid picture of urban hel. Steming Joe Mantagna.

Carnon Panton Street (071-600 0631)

Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366).

MORTAL THOUGHTS (15): Brutal hubby gets his throat stached; wife and beet friend have blood on their hands. and the police on their tall. Stylish, brooding drams, with Demi Moore, Clenne Headly, Bruce Wille, Direct Alan Rudolph. Odeon West End (0428 915574).

CURRENT AUNT JULIA AND THE SCRIPTWRITER (12): Gauche kid (Keanu Reeves) talis for feisty sunt (Barbers Hershey), while a scep ope

E BECKET: Rivering performences from Derek Jacobi and Robert Lindeay in Anoulin's play on the relationship between Henry II and the archbishop. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800), Mon-Sat, 7-30pm, mets Wed, Sw1 3you Min-Sat, 7-30pm, mets Wed, Sw1 3you Min-Sat, 7-30pm, mets Wed,

(Barbara Hershey), while a scap opera writer (Peter Falk) weaves magic spells

■ BLACK SNOW: Robin Builey a sublimely tunny Stanlelawsky ligure in Bulgakov's tart Mescow cornedy. National (Cotteslos), South Benk, SE1 National (Commons), ... (071-928 2252). Toright, tomorro 7 30cm. met tomorrow, 2.30pm.

Ashton's excellent, first full-length play shout a functive visionary experience t a Scottish village; vivid, funny, wise. Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Mon-Set, 8pm. 140mins. Final week,

Fraser in interesting play showing Bonnie Prince Charle turned Into impudent old fush. Hampstead, Swise Cottage Centre, NW3 (071-722 9301). Mon-Sat, 8pm, met Sat, 4pm, 140mins.

Cl GOOD GOLLY MISS MOLLY: Cheerful trip through Fifties and Sixties hits: firmsy plot but no matter, Arts, Great Newport Street, WC2 (071-866 2132), Mon-Thurs, Spm, Frt, Sat, 5.45pm and 8.20pm, 120m/ns.

Thurs, Sat. 3cm. 150mins.

I JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT: Jacon Donovan sports a golden wig for this

TODAY'S EVENTS

JULIUS CAESAR: Resing British chrocor Steven Prindut has been very busy this year, directing The Miser at the National, the Earls Court Carmen and more recently Jeson Dorawa in Joseph and the Amering Technicolor Dreemcout. He now turns his attention to Shekemenru, making the file-christ. Shekespears, making his directorial debut with the Royal Stakespears Company in a new production of Julius Caesar. The cast includes Robert Stephens (Julius Caesar) and Jonathan Hyde (Marcus Brutus). Opening night. Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon (0769 295623), 7pm.

PHILHARIMONIA: hulen event-gerde composer Ludeno Berlo conducts the orchestra in the European premiere of his Continuo, together with his corchestrated versions of Mahler's Five reportiestrated vensions on westers a rive Early Songs/Six Early Songs (with burbone Thomas Hempson) and Brahms's Clarinet Sonste, Op 120 (with Michael Collins). Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-525 6800), 7.30pm.

OPERA 80: The company's now season starts at Wolverhampton with alternate performances of Stephen Modcelf's ingeniously laringle stagling of The Magic Pate – premiered last year and now revised by Daniel Dooner – (conducted by Charles Peables), and Britten's Albert Herring, in a new production directed by Clare Veneblas (conducted by Nor Botton). After Wolverhampton, the troups moves through the month to

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where ted with the symbol () on release across the country.

LET HIM HAVE IT (15): An epileptic youngster's road to the hengmen's noses. Sombre, powerful dienta about the 1952 Chaig/Bentley case. With Chris Eccleston, Paul Reynolds, Tom Courtenwy, director, Peter Medick. Odeosts: Komenington (0426 814666) Mezzanine (0426 915683).

MEETING VENUS (12): Backstage

charass white staging Tanchituser in Parte; admitty observed, but lacking punch. Starring Neis Arestrup, Germ Close; thereted by terrup Smith, produced by Devid Putmart. Carnonia: Chelsea (071-362 5096)

PARES TROUT (18): Dennis Hopper's rednack Southern racist stands accused of marder. Powerful, atmospheric drama from Poto Dester's novel, With Barbara Hershey; Ed Herris: director, Stephen Gyllaninasi.

PROSPERO'S BOOKS (15): Pela

Greensway's variation on *The Tempes* with John Gleigud's Prospero stations Shakeepesra's text through a jungle of

eys-popping images. Berbican (071-638 9891) Premiere (071-439 4470) Renoir (071-637 8402).

THE RESCUERS DOWN UNDER

◆ THE RESCUERS DOWN UNDER (U): The star mice from Oleopy's 1977 The Rescuers return to reacus at Indrapped boy. Unimbitious cartoon feature for the easily pleased. Directors, Handal Butoy, Mice Gabriel. Cannesis: Cheisea (071-582 5056) Oxford Street (071-586 6310) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914686) Mezzanine (0426 915663) Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

STEPPING OUT (PG): Lewis

Gibert's werm, opinized version of Pitchard Harris's play about would-be hoolers, with Julie Walters, Shalley Winters, and a Liza Minnell star turn.

Pluza (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-

URANUS (15): Derit, powerful drame from Marcel Aymé's caustic novel about the setting of scores in post-fiberation France. General Departmental deminates a fine cest: director, Claude Bert.
Camdan Plaza (071-45) 2443) Chelsee Chrema (071-55) 3742/3743) Lumière (071-636) 0891).

Ambassadors, West Street, London WC2 (071-836 6111), Mon-Fri, 8.30pm, Fri Set, 5.30pm and 8.30pm, 140mins.

TOVARICH: Natalie Mejarova,
Robert Powell in 1930s rementle comedy
about exiled Russian aristos.

about sollied Russian aristos. Phoenix, Chering Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1118). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat 4pm.

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okise. Good fun. Whitehall, Whitehall, SW1 (071-857 1119). Mon-Thurs. & 15pm, Frl., Sal. & 15pm and 9pm. 120mins.

II WATTING FOR GODOT: Pik Mayel,

Advisin Edmondson find comedy but lose the depth and positios in Beckett's play. Cuent's, Shafesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5040), Mon-Thurs, Bpm, F1, Sat, S.30pm and 8.45pm, 160mins.

I WHEN SHE DANCED: Vanessa

Pledgrave unlargettable in Sharmen's artful play about landors Duncan and the hazards of communication.

LONG RUNNERS: Aspects of

Cambridge (071-379 5299) . . . [2] Pour For Your Wile: Ouchess (071-494 5075)

1-829 8935) The Woman in tick Fortune (071-838 2238).

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Globe, Sheiteebury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065). Mon-Sat, Spm, mate Wed, Sat,

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Zastful treatment of Mario Vargas Liose's multi-layered novel. Director, Jon Amiel. Ocean Haymarkst (0426 915353). CITY SLICKERS (12): Over-stretched sentimental comedy, with Billy Crystal and churns solving mid-life crises during a cattle trek. Starring Daniel Stern, Brun

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City Bellet now regularly has leading demont from Moscow and Leningrad as reembers or guests. The competity visits Bucton for a week giving the dist performances of its revival of Swer Lato with original choreography by Vindimir Bournelster and music by Tchallousley. The casting this week features have saing and Tracoy Newham Alvey attemating in the leading role opposite Stanisley Tchaseov and Paul Traussell. Opera House, Water Street, Bucton (0298 72190), 1.50pm and 7.50pm.

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Collapsing under pressure

THEATHE It's Ralph

Comedy

THE characters in Hugh Whitemore's previous stage plays, from the poet Stevie Smith to the Soviet spies in Pack of Lies, from the scientist Alan Turing to Bernard Shaw in The Best of Friends, have all had one thing in common they actually existed. That may have suggested some lack of imagination on his part, but it helped to give his work discipline, shape and rence. Here, for the first time, he lets his fancy roam and range, often to entertaining effect. Yet there is an inadvertent aptness in the evening's most spectacular event, the collapse of much of Carl Toms's country-cottage set. Whitemore's dramatic structure, too, is pretty rickety.

The cottage is, as it happens, symbolic in a more intentional way. It is an expensive but unsound blend of 17th-century timber and modern chic and, as such, rather like its owner. He is the deeply inauthentic Andrew Gale, television celebrity, adulterer and bilious grouch. His public image is unclear but presumably he does not spend his time brutally sneering at "pooftas", Italians and other irritants. as he does in private. The impression left by Timothy West, who plays him with bunched shoulders and bunched jowls, is of a huge, pecied sea-turtle, peering out of his shell for prey.

Never mind that the anthor persistently invites our laughter for a blimpishness he simultaneously condemns. West's comic energy is enough to justify such hypocrisies. But then Whitemore introduces his second main character, Jack Shepherd's

Ralph, a chum from the 1950s that the great man has all but forgotten. The function of this intruder is to remind Andrew of Aldermasion marches, late-night cooversations about international brotherhood in Soho jazz clubs, and other times when "there was a kind of purity" in the country. The television star is, it seems, oot just a witty oaf. He is yet another illustration of that contemporary cliche, sold-out idealism.

Still, this produces some amusing encounters, with West's Andrew deciding that Shepherd's Ralph must be a blackmailer, and eyeing him in the wary, baleful way a battle-scarred reptile might watch some spry, spruce mongoose. The trouble is that Whitemore seems uncertain what else and what more to do with his characters. Some mildly eretic exchanges between Ralph and Andrew's wife are not especially plausible, though the latter's weary frustration is nicely conveyed by Connie Booth. And Andrew's last-reel conversion to a kind of distraught honesty is even

more awkwardly engineered. Suddenly the cynical fibber, who has argued that "lies and delusions make life tolerable", starts unburden-ing himself. There is, he growls, a "dichotomy, gulf, ravine between the impression I want to create and the feelings I have deep down". He even wants Raiph, who has somewhat improbably been hired to mend the rotting roof, to help fix his psyche, too. But it is hard to believe him, or to accept Whitemore's play and Clifford Williams's production for what they are oow earnestly trying to become, a dramatic debate about the elusiveness of truth. It's Ralph, like Andrew's cottage, cannot finally bear the strain.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE



Timothy West as Ralph: a sea-turtle, peering out of his shell for prey

THEATRE

When It's Over Finborough, Earls Court

A PREVIOUS play by Geraldine Sherman, co-author with Eduardo Machado of this present play, showed how Eva and Kurt behaved when their daughter was growing up as a Londoo schoolgirl in the Fifties. Pretty badly, all things considered: angered by her estrangement from them, jealous of her fondness for a sympathetic teacher (Jill Bennett in her last stage role). Perhaps it is because the author felt all things had oot been considered that she has taken the story back to wartime, to show why Kurt abandoned Eva and what persuaded Eva to consign her day-old daughter to a Jewish orphanage, seldom managing to visit ber.

Kurt (Vincenzo Nicoli) makes a poor showing a complacent, ex-Viennese street trader, offering flashy smiles and fake silk ties to anything in a skirt. Eva (Esther Freud), a refugee from Berlin, appeals more calculatedly to audience sympathy by somehow managing to be victimised by everyone she meets. A chilling Kensingtoo lady dismisses her for singing Schubert lullabies to the children; ARP wardens chivy her, a lascivious schoolboy tries to rape her - and he with a father in the war cabinet. A cold-hearted IRA girl (Anna Niland) attempts to abort Eva's child squeamish patrons may wish to study other parts of Andrew Hunt's set during this scene - and an equally the child so that it can grow into a soldier for the new Palestine.

Eva is a stricken refugee, bereft of family and home, but since the authors show only her frustrated attempts to clutch a straw of happiness she comes across as improbably piteous and naive. Clearly she has some go-getting spark within her, because, though feebly allowing the Zionist to stop her visiting the orphanage, she picks up looely soldiers in the blackout. The authors show oothing of the moral scruples that may have surfaced in her mind: one moment she is loyal to the absent Kurt the next moment not

The approach to Kurt's history is similarly disjointed: running errands for another IRA zealot (Colm Lagan), transported to Australia, charting up

cold Zionist girl (Niland agaio) seizes the sexually inhibited guard - it adds up to nothing in particular. The play consists of little more than a sequence of brief episodes, as if Sherman wished to stage fragments of a family history but shrank from dramatising

> Fleeting momeots io Annie Tyson's ingenuous productioo make their mark: Freud's tip of the head is exhi Deutsch, and Hunt eleverly packs into the small stage a bedroom, pub. playground, shelter, street and church against a City skyline complete with searchlight beam. Logically, further prequels to this prequel could be set in Nazi Berlin, Franz Josef's Vienna, Bismark's Prussia und so weiter, but preferably with some dramatic purpose introduced.

> > JEREMY KINGSTON

Seal Hammersmith Odeon

ROCK

SINCE he came to prominence as the singer and co-writer of Adamski's No I hit "Killer" in the spring of 1990, Seal has become the first bona fide rock star of the house generation. His self-titled debut album, produced with all the state-of-the-art trimmings by Trevor Horn, topped the chart last June and an impressive half-million copies have been sold in Britain alone.

Apart from the undoubted merit of his songs, Seal owes his success so far to the striking effect of his appearances on television, video, radio, in the press and on vast billboards. Yet the alchemy of a live show can still reveal more about a performer than all the other media exposures put together, too often exposing musical weaknesses and testing a charisma which may have been artificially pumped up by hidden persuaders.
For Seal, the effect was quite the

reverse, and his (official) London debut put real flesh on the bones of his techno-soul music while underlining the man's utterly commanding stage presence. In a well-paced and imaginaovely-lit show that was a model of invention and concision, he produced a thrilling array of musical shades.

At 28, the London-bred singer of Brazilian-Nigerian parentage is young enough to have absorbed the rave culture of acid house but old enough to be aware of the rock and soul traditions that preceded it. He has simply helped himself to the best of all available worlds, a fact reflected by the powerful yet flexible make-up of his group: a guitarist from the Prince school of haute couture, a keyboard boffin, a bass player in skateboarderfrom-hell chie and a drummer who sounded alternately like a drum machine and a powerhouse rocker.

Seal, in his black leather trousers, billowing white shirt and stylishly arranged dreadlocks, exuded quiet confidence and a sex appeal delicately balanced between the macho and the vulnerable. So too was his singing soulful with a gruff edge. He put across these facets of his singing personality on a tremendous version of Jimi Hendrix's "Hey Joe" where he used his two distinct voices as either side of the cooversation which takes place within the song, a trick which not even

Hendrix attempted.

Many of his own songs were either rearranged or developed from their recorded versions, from the simple voice and acoustic guitar version of "Deep Water" to an extended "Whirl-pool" which developed into a housemetal tour de force.

DAVID SINCLAIR

DANCE **Mysteries** Bloomsbury

Bluebeard story after Bartók is doing himself no favours. Luckily for Ian Dearden, all that was required of him in Mysteries was to provide a lively rhythmie accompaniment for Kim Brandstrup's latest ballet. Judging by Brandstrup's Arc Dance Company's performance in its London premiere last week, Dearden has fulfilled his part ably if unmemorably.

Bluebeard in this version is a tall morose gentleman (Michael Fulwell) who sits in a gloomy room playing with his sword and letting the servants get out of hand. He shows so little enthusiasm for his wives that you might wonder why he bothers to marry at least three of them. Luckily the first two quickly collapse after looking inside the large door that dominates the scene, and the bullying servants carry them off. We then discover that the woman in a green suit who has already appeared twice in front of the door is wife No 3 (Catherine Burge). She carries a violin and pretends to play it: can she possibly be Old Nick in disguise? Now it is Bluebeard who is tempted to visit

wife who stops him. They duel, she using her violio bow instead of a sword. The poor man stands no chance and ends the ballet on the floor, deprived (with ohvious symbolism) of his weapon. Braodstrup's choreographic

ANY composer who takes oo the method is to take little passages of movement which have a dramatic purport, and repeat them over and over to make formal patterns. It provides a faintly baroque effect. His limitation, like that of 100 many choreographers today, is a highly limited vocabulary of movement. A few favoured steps keep recurring in different cootexts, for instance a distinctively odd jump for Bluebeard's retainers which we have already seen earlier in this double bill serving for a Jewish wedding in The Dybbuk. It makes for a rather superficial result, all decoration and oo heart.

As always, Brandstrup's presentation is very smooth. It is put over with a deft assurance which, combined with the bustling insistence of the choreography and moments of brooding portentousness, make the work appear purposeful. The costumes by Fatini Dimou are handsome, but Tina MacHugh's lighting for this and The Dybbuk did draw attention to a general air of gloom over the evening as a whole.

Auswers from page 22 YARPHA

(b) A peat-bog, peat combined with clay or sand, the sort of hole you should avoid in the darkest Highlands, from the Old Norse jorfi gravel; Sir Walter Scott: "The poor yarpha, as the benighted creatures here call their peat-bogs." CRUBEEN

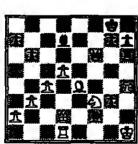
(a) A (cooked) pig's trotter, or the foot of any animal whether cooked or raw, from the Irish craibin, diminutive of craib a claw; James Joyce, Ulysses: "Florence MacCabe takes a crubeen and a bottle of double X for supper every Saturday." PHELLEM

(c) Cork, the cork tree or its spongy wood, in botanical usage, from the Greek phellor cork: "The type of phellem used for bottle cork consists of thin-walled, air-filled cells." SERPIGO

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10.35 Happy Memories. Nostaigis show in which Cliff Michelmore and
Wendy Gibson are able to rekindle viewers' memories with music
and archive film.

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11.00 News, regional news and weather 11.05 No Kidding. Mike Smith and Kate Copstick host another round of the family quiz game (s) 11.30 People Today 12.00 News, regional news and weather 12.20 Pebble Mill. The winners of the *Radio Times* Comedy Awards are announced 12.55 Regional News and weather

.00 One O'Clock News and weather

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (a) 1.50 Four Square. Knock-out quiz (s)
2.15 Hawaii Five-O: Full Fathom Five. The long-running American police series. McGarrett (Jack Lord) baits a cruise ship murderer (r)
3.05 Primertime. David Jacobs and Shelfa McClennon return for a new series aimed at the mature viewer, and introduce a new feature Sexy at Sixty

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3.50 Dooby's Duck Truck. Cartoon series (r) 3.55 Orville and Cuddles. Cartoon 4.00 F.L.L.P. Comedy series starring Trevor Laird 4.20 The Chipmunics. Certoon 4.35 Hartbeat. Tony Hart and Gabrielle Bradshaw with innovative ideas on art

5.00 Newsround 5.10 Byker Grove. Third episode of the 18-part children's drama set in a Newcastle youth chub. (Ceefax)

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6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Andrew Harvey, Weather

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7.00 Wogan. Terry talks to former hostage Jackie Mann and his wife

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7.30 Tomorrow's World. In this week's edition of the science magazine programme, Karina Kelly reports on the endangered glant green turties in northern Australia. Judith Hann travels to Hampshire where she discovers a natural form of pest control. (Ceefax) (s). Northern Ireland: Spotlight Specials. Realistic drama series about the private and public lives

of five part-time police constables in the Midfands. (Ceefax) (s) 8.50 Points of View presented by Anne Robinson (s) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax). Regional news



Arresting the drug-barons: a DEA agent with his catch (9.30pm)

• CHOICE: A six-pert fly-on-the-wall documentary series on the work of the US Drug Enforcement Administration begins with this tale of "Undercover Eddie", a pushy young agent with a pony-tail, who gets his kicks from infiltrating the ranks of dangerous drugs barons, then moving in for the kill. Dealer Sam Essell, head of an mternational Nigerian drug-trafficking organisation, is his latest potential prison inmate. "I'm counting on this guy to come through for me — my victory, his demise", says Eddie with a smirk, It's a messy first programme, devoid of a namator and consequently hard to follow, although the sporadic subtitles help to explain the drug-speak. Still, there is plenty of spicy tension as the hidden cameras reveal both the secret meetings between Eddie and the unsuspecting baddies, and, on about Day 105, the "big sting", when the villains get their come-uppance, (Ceefax) (s)

10.30 Sportsnight, Desmand Lynam introduces championship boxing from Leeds Town Hall as Henry Wharton detends his Commonwealth Super-Middleweight title against Lou Gent, Plus, a look at Eddie Jordan's winning formula one racing team, which includes Andrea De Cesaris and Bertrand Gachot; a report from the British boxing annual awards presentation and the latest tootball news and results

11.20 Film: Hard Contract (1969), Tense, verbose drama starring James Coburn as an enigmatic professional assassin who falls in love with an unsuspecting Lee Remick, Directed by S. Lee Pogostin, Wales: Film '91 with Barry Norman; 11,50 Film; Hard Contract 1.05am Weather

8.00 News 8.15 Stx Faces of Royalty: Charles II (r)
8.30 The Man Who invented the 20th Century. Charles Parson (r)
9.00 Daytime on Two: It Doesn't Have to Hurt (f). (Ceelax) 9.10 Stop and Think (r) 9.30 Diez Temas (r) 9.45 You and Me (r) 10.00 Thinksbout Science 10.15 Search Out Science (r) 10.35 C & A (s)
10.40 Around Scotland: Clearances (s). Northern Ireland: Ceefax 11.00 Words and Pictures (r) 11.15 English Time: Writing 11.35 Teaching Today: Language in the National Curriculum (r) 12.05 TV6: Tears From My Soul 12.30 Lifeschool: Careers (r) 12.55 Espeña Viva (r) 1.20 Postman Pat (r) 1.35 Jimbo and the Jet Set (r) 1.40 Zig Zag: The Vikings 40 Zig Zag: The Vikings

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4.00 The Mutt House. American comedy series (r)
4.25 The History Man. Bryan McNemey visits Hadrian's Wall (r)
4.30 Trivial Pursuit. Television version of the board game (r). (* eefax)
5.00 Relatively Speaking. Mavis Nicholson talks to Dame Barbara Cartland, and her daughter Raine, the Countess of Althorp
5.30 A Question of Sport (r). (Ceefax) (s)
6.00 Star Treic The Next Generation. (Ceefax)

6.50 Def it: Rough Guide to the World's Journeys - Indonesia.

Magenta de Vine and Sankha Guha journey to Sali via the
Indonesian capital of Jakarta and across the island of Java to

7.40 Def IE Rapido. Antoine de Caunes talks to David Bowie and members of his new band, Tin Machine, in the first of e new series of the energetic rock show

8.10 Timewatch: Harvests of Iron - The Watch on the Somme CHOICE: In part one of two programmes about the first world war, German writer Ludwig Harig travels to the Somme in an attempt to work out why his father could not talk about his experiences as a soldier at the Front. One cannot help thinking he might have been better talking to German veterans, if there are any left, or at least seeking out soms revealing soldiers' diaries. Instead, this film, made for British and French television, seems to be much more concerned with the Gallic point of view, it is no less fascinating for that; we hear vivid reminiscences about everyday life in occupied France, the odd shootings on the street, the cartloads of wounded soldiers — "you could follow the trail of blood" — and the niggling annoyances such as the German bread, "like gingerbread", it is a beautifully made film marrying interviews with well-chosen exchange but at the most of its as to be such as the definition of the country of the such but the the most of its as to be such as the country of the such but the most of its as to be such as the country of the such but the such but as the such but with well-chosen archive footage, but at the and of it we are left with only filmsy theories about the relicence of Harig's father 9.00 M*A*S*H: Blood and Guts. Hawkeye (Alan Alda) is not amused by a war correspondent's story about blood donations (r)



involved in a dirty business: Michael Gough in Bellast (9.25pm)

9.25 Children of the North: The Killing of Yesterday's Children

 CHOICE: Adapted from the novels of M.S. Power and directed by Defence of the Realm's David Drury, this four-part Northern Ireland thriller gets off to an intriguing start with all the characters showing equal potential for treachery. The only half-sene person, Arthur Apple, a visionary madman expertly played by Michael Gough, is quick to warn us how things are; he sees, he says, "an awful deception invading the souts of men..." Apple is swiftly recruited by the IRA to run a batting shop in Belfast laundering IRA funds, and soon ends up lying through his teeth like everyone else. Meanwhile, the Army, the RUC, the IRA and MIS first with each other in preparation for the time when they will all make deals together. It's heavy-handed and over-nasty in parts, as when the IRA hitman (Adrian Dunbar) gets stuck into his tame prostitute while running through past murders in his mind, but it's the machiavettian politics that make this worth catching, (Ceefax) (s) 10.20 Fifth Column. A personal opinion about a topical subject

10.30 Newsnight with Jeremy Paxmen

11.15 The Late Show, Journalist Ben Woolly reports on Tokyo's struggle to find a new architectural identity 11.55 Weather

9.25 Jeopardyl Quiz in which Steve Jones supplies the answers and the contestants have to provide the questions 9.55 The

10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . Live topical discussion programme 10.40 This Morning. Judy Finnigen and Richard Madeley present the family magazine programme, including at 11.00 Children's Health.

A new weekly six-part series in which Dr Chris Steele puts childhood ailments under the microscope, including at 10.55 News headlines 11.55 Themes News and weather 12.10 Allsorts. Children's entertainment (s) 12.30 News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather 1.10 Thames News

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1.20 Home and Away. Australian family chama serial. (Oracle)

1.50 A Country Practice. Australian medical drama serial (s)

2.20 Rugby World Cup '91. Frank Bough introduces live coverage from Cardiff of the play-off for third and fourth places between Scotland and New Zealand, the two losing semi-finalists. Plus a look at how the finalists England and Australia are preparing for the big match on Saturday 4.15 Children's ITV beginning with Rolf's Cartoon Club. Wecaday's

Tim Mailett reveals his favourits cartoons 4.40 Time Riders. Third in a four-part science fiction series, Starring Haydn Gwynne 5.19 Blockbusters. Bob Holness hosts the cuiz for teanagers 5.40 News with Fiona Armstrong. (Oracle) Weather 5.55 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley investigates canceling 6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) 6.30 Thames News. (Oracle)

7.00 This is Your Life. Michael Aspel opens his red book to reveal the past life of a unsuspecting celebrity (9)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle)



nic vision: Benny Hill in a line-up of famous guests (8.00pm)

8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. Des is joined by comic Benny Hill, American singer Mariah Cary, singer-songwitter Neil Sedaka and pop singer Kim Appleby, for an hour of music and cornedy (e) Film: Someone to Watch Over Me (1987). The first showing on network television for this stylish romentic thriller about a New York cop (Torn Berenger), whose loyalties are divided between his loving wifa (Loraine Bracco) and the wealthy socialite (Mimi Rogers) he is assigned to protect. Directed by Ridley Scott, whose film credits include Alien, Blace Runner and Thelma and Louise. (Oracle) 10.00 News at Ten with Julia Somerville and Fiona Armstrong. (Oracle)

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12.30am Films Sexpionage (1985). Lackbustre made-for-television
espionage film about young Russian girts who are trained to use
sex as a means of discovering information. Starring Linda
Hamilton, Geena Davis, Sally Kellerman and James Franciscus.
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2.15 America's Top Ten. Tom Puett presents the latest chart sounds pop videos, news and gossip from the United States (s)

3.10 Quiz Night. Tom Robbins presents the pub and club team 3.40 Books by My Bedside. The newsreader Sandy Gall telles to Brough Scott about the books that he is currently reading.

including a thriller by John Le Carré and the Michelin Guide to 4.10 Motorsport. The British Siderar Mator-cross Grand Priv 4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w). Archive newsreels from lete October 1941 5.00 Witness to Survival: Maria Hanson/The Rockiquez Family.

Two courageous tales about ordinary people struggling to survive 5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman, Ends at 6.00

Starring Denny De Vito, Michael Douglas and Kethleen Turner 2.00 Licence To Kill (1989): Timothy Dalton

A10 Playing For Keeps (1989): Comedy about three graduates who decide to convert an old hotel into a glemorous resort for tennegers. Ends at 5.50

Shericak Hotmes 2.15 Chances Are (1989): Cornedy about a

vidow who discovers that her husband her

been reincornated
4.10 The Adventures of the Wilderness

5.15 Black Rainbow (1989); Supernatural triller starring Rosenna Arquette 10.05 Paper Moon (1973); starring Ryan and Tatum O'Nest 11.55 Régistrate on Elm Street IV: The Dream Master (1988) 1.30am Unspeakable Acts (1984); A couple suspect their daughter has been somally shared.

3.18 After Denting (1975): Alan Price stars in a follow-up to the popular 1996 comedy. Ends 4.50

Family (1975): Tale of a suburban tamily wi sets up home in the American wilderness 5.50 Spotlight 5.15 Gendemen Prefer Blondes (1953): Stammy Marityn Monroe and Jame Russell 5.15 Black Rainbow (1989): Supernatural

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9.25 Schools
12.00 Profiles of Nature: Life in a Pond. A revealing insight into the micro-organisms that can tound above and below the surface of a

12.30 Business Daily. News and anaylsis from the City
1.00 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series. The guest is the actor

2.00 Faith, Hope and Clarity: Revelation. Third of a fen-part series on religious issues. Ronald Eyre examines the idea of the Revelation with Dr Ruth Page, a Christian, and Dr Zaki Badawi, e Muslim (s)

2.30 Film: Edison, the Man (1940, b/w). Romantic biopic, starring Spencer Tracy as Thomas Edison, the inventor of the electric light. Rita Johnson stars as his wife. Directed by Clarence Brown 4.30 Fifteen-to-One. William G. Stewart hosts the quick-fire quiz (s)



Smiles of success: Oprah Winfrey, Michael J. Fox (5.00pm)

5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. The baby-faced actor Michael J. Fox, star of the television comedy series Family Ties and films such as Back to the Future, talks about his career and family (s)

5.55 Willo the Wisp. Carloon (r) 6.90 Kate and Allie: Kate and the Cab Driver. American comedy eries about two American divorcees. Starring Susan Saint James and Jane Curtin

night with Jonathan Ross live from the Ed Sullivan Theatre in New York (s)

7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext)

7.50 Party Political Comment from 9 representative of the Green party 8.00 Brookside. Marseyside soap. (Teletext) (s)

 CHOICE: A new series of the travel programme aimed at the adventurous. A promising line-up of would-be explorers over the next few weeks includes poet and comic John Hegley, Patrick Barlow from the National Theatre of Brent and Simon Hoggart, the journalist and US-watcher. Tonight it's the turn of chirpy Andy Kershaw, who samples life in Mongolia, once great under Genghis Khan, now hoping to attract tourists by invoking the Genghis Khan, now hoping to attract tourists by invoking the Genghis Khan name wherever possible. First stop is the industrialised capital, Ulan Bator, which Kershaw promptly compares to Sheffield. Then it's off to the country where he has much more fun playing Frisbee in the Gobi desert and giggling at 9 boy riding a horse while carrying a sheep, then dropping the sheep. It is not the most reverent of approaches but it is certainly antertaining and there are nuggets of history and sensible comment along the way (s)

Dispatches. Sir Fitzroy Maclean visits the tormer Soviet republic of Georgia and talks to Sviad Gamsakhurdia, Georgia's first

or Georgia and takes to Sviad Gamsakhurdia, Georgia's tirst elected president, among others is Short and Curilles: A Nice Arrangement. Meera Syal's short drama in which Meena (Tanla Rodrigues) leaves it until her wedding day to decide whether to marry the fiance arranged for her by her Asian family or to stay with her boyfriend (r). (Telatext) 10.00 The Golden Girls: Stand By Your Man. Addictive cornedy with

the four Mami matrons

10.30 Paul Merton: The Series. The dead-pan comedian rounds off the series by showing us the worst thing that can happen et the

dentist, in an ambutance and et the disco (s)

11.00 US: The Boafos. The penultimata episode in the series on immigrant tamilies in Britain meets Ghana-born Sam Boafo and his

family, who live in London's East End

11.45 Tonight with Jonathan Ross from the core of the Big Apple (r) (s)

12.15am Film: Junglee (1961), Continuing the season of Indian love stories from the Bombay film studies, Shammi Kapoor stars in a colourful musical as a rich boy on holiday in Kashmir, who falls in love with a poor girl (Saira Bano) and has to deal with the disapproval of his parents. In Hindl with English subtitles. Directed by Subodh Mukherjee, Ends at 2.50

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7.20 Face the Facts: Investigative reporter John Waite pursues cases of rough justice 7.45 All in the Wind: Professor

7.45 All in the Mind: Protessor
Anthony Clare presents a
weekly magazine devoted to
matters of the mind (r)
8.15 Opinion: For Christ's Sakel
The Rev Nicholas Stacey
argues for modernisation of
the Church of England (r)
8.45 Poetry Please: Simon Rae
talks to Andrew Motion about
Philip Larion (s)
9.15 The Art of Insult: Ancient
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1.40 BBC PO under Bernhard Kloe
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1.05 Japan Season: Concert Hall.
Live from Broadcasting House,
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Steinberg and the Pittsburgh
Symphony Orchestra perform
Rachmannov (Symphony No 2 in E minor) in E. minor)
4.00 Choral Evensong: Live brom
Hexham Abbey.
5.00 Japan Sesson: Pine, Bemboo,
Plum. Sho-Chiku-Bei — music
from the traditional Japanese

Sankyoku ensemble
5.30 Mainly for Pleasure with
Anthony Burlon 7.05 Third Ear with Robert Hewison 7.30 Bournemouth SO under Andrew Litton with Evelyn Andrew Lifton with Everyn Glennie, percussion, performs Rossini (Overture, The Thieving Magple); Prichard Rodney Bennett (Concerto for Percussion); Saint-Saëns, amanged by Glennie (Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso for merimbe and orchestra); Sibalius (Symolony No 2 in D, Op 43)

(Symphony No 2 in D, Op 43) 9.05 Japan Season: So Where's the Opposition?

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endeavour could be samed to political reform, a political maracle is not an impossibility (Cambewarte: Peter Lawson plays the first British broadcast of David Lumsdaine's pieno piece conceived in Australia (Batten Singers at Snape 10.25 Britten Singers at Snape under Stephen Wilkinson with

Andrew Lumsden, organ perform Schütz; Bach; D. 11.30 News 11.35-12.35em Composers of the Wack: Arnold, Williamson (r) (s) Stereo on FM.

5.53am Shipping Forecast 6.00
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6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30
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8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55
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Gets Rid of His Wite; The
Macbeth Murder Mystery (s)
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(r) 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Midweek with Libby Purves: Guest interview by Brien Hayes 16.00-18.30am Wonderlandscapes (FM only): Sleepy Victorian Oxford.

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O CHOICE:If part one of Michael Bakevell's six-part exploration of the world of Dodgson/Carrolt doesn't knock the sleep out of your eyes, nothing will, it's s marvellous brain-leaser, the kind of attimulating stuff we are more used to after 10pm. Bakevell is resourcefully served by his director. Baltewell is resourcefully served by his director Rosemary Hart (remember what they did a couple of years ago with their lifs of bickens?), and they are up to their old tricks again today, shuffling two packs of cards together, snepshots from the Dodgson/Caroll life — Alan Bannett and David Collings play the alter does — and

play the after egos — and complementary extracts from the Carroli ceuvre (1 of 5) (s) News; Delly Service Pfigrimage (LW only): From Christ Church Cathedral, 10.00 Ne Dublin 10.15 The Bible (LW only): Michael Hordern reads the fourth book of Moses, called Numbers (4 of 9) (r) 10.30 Woman's Hour: Jenni Murray

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meets opera singer Isobel
Buchanan, incl 11.00 News
11.30 Gardeners' Question Time (r)
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm Crown Papers: The trais
and tribulations of an upper
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2.00 News; Shanti and the Crocodie: A 16-year old Hindu

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11.00 The Arno Has Burst its Banks:
Graham Fawcatt Isstens to
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25 years ago (s)
11.30 In the Country: The Hind Cus.
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12.00 News, incl 12.27 am Weather
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about a family shipwrecked off the Aleekan coast 5.40 Entertainment Tonight 6.00 Big Man On Campus (1990): Cornedy about a college hunchback who comes down from the ballower and takes the campus with slorm 8.00 A Cut Above (1999): An interest medical student learns to toe the fine 10.00 by Bed With Medicina (1991): Documentary following the superstar on her 1990 "Blond Ambrition" lour 12.05cm The War Of The Roses (1989): Black comedy about the Irisla of divorce.

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1.30 BFBS Worldwide 2.25 World Service. Rugby World Cup 4.05 World Service. Development 91 4.35 Few Aside 7.15 The Great Hamburger Disaster 7.30 The Fwog Prince (r) 7.55 Revolving Rhymes 8.00 Champion Sport 10.00 News and Sport 10.10 Hit the North 12.00cm News and Sport 12.10 Close

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Waldegrave wants faster negligence settlements

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

A RADICAL overhaul of how award compensation, using victims of medical accidents medical records and written are compensated was outlined submissions from the parties hy William Waldegrave, the concerned, would however health secretary, yesterday.

The proposal, based on arbitration, should lead to according to the consultation quicker and cheaper com- document. There would be no pensation settlements but falls appeal, apart from on points short of the oo-fault com- of law, against their decision. pensatioo system supported hy the medical professioo.

Uoder the new system, which was sent out for coosultation, cause would out have to be proved by the courts but by a panel of two doctors and a lawyer purely on paper work. The decisioo to

Gummer attacks faddists

By MICHAEL HORNSBY

VEGETARIAN diets were decouceed as faddist and unhealthy yesterday by John Gummer, the agriculture mioister, who said that man was a oatural omnivore.

Speaking at the annual luncheon of the British Meat Manufacturers' Association io London, he said that meat was a very natural food, "We do oot want the faddist diet that has removed from it the natural mix which humans are meant to eat and in which meat plays its part".

He warned the association. however, that more attentioo would have to be paid to animal welfare if "you want meat-eating to continue to grow and if you want to consultative document. Dammeat-eating is io some way

The Vegetarian Society said yesterday that Mr Gummer was out of touch with public opinion. Juliet Gellatley, cam-paigns director, said: "It is farm animal welfare should industry.

Mr Gummer, who is a member of the general synod of the Church of England, to defend meat-cating on theological grounds.

still be based oo whether negligence could be proved.

The British Medical Associatioo and a oumber of MPs have been pressing for years for a system of oo-fault compensation where victims of medical accidents are awarded compensation irrespective of whether medical

oegligeoce can be proved. The association said last night said it welcomed any move which reduced the cost and prolonged delays involved in the legal process but was disappointed that the health secretary had oot met the association's main objective of a oo-fault system.

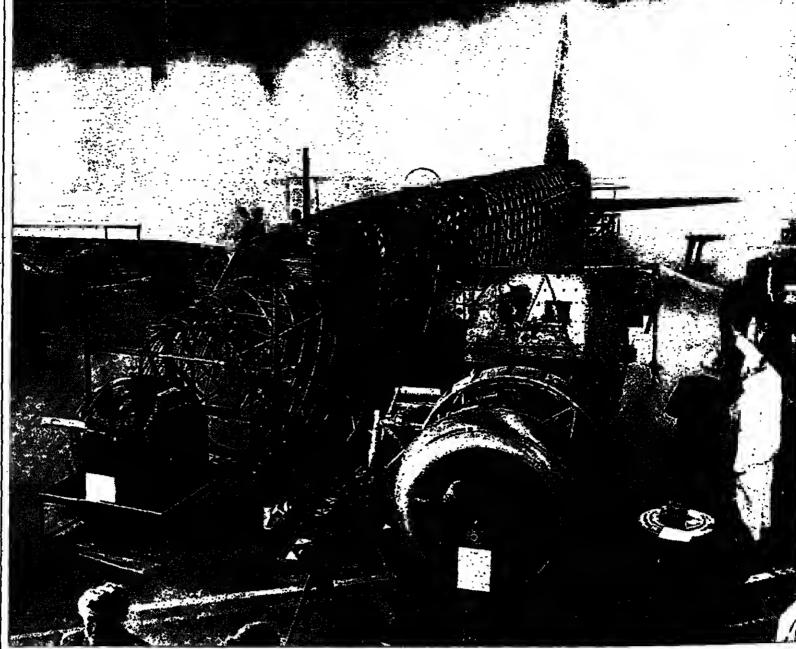
David Bolt, of the associatioo's working party on nocompeosation, estimated that the new system, which follows a proposal first made by Lord Griffiths last October, would only cost about £500,000 a year to run. "Our view is that compensatioo should be based on the severity of the injury rather than whether or oot it resulted from medical oegligeoce."

Earlier this year both the Royal College of Physicians and Sir Donald Acheson, the government's former chief medical officer, added their support to calls for a oo-fault compensatioo scheme which would cost an estimated £100 millioo a year to run.

Last year the health service speot about £45 millioo in meeting claims for medical negligence, according to the ages exceeded £300,000 in about 35 cases and the total damages in these cases amounted to £17 million.

Individual awards have increased from a high of £100,000 in 1977 to more than frightening that someone ap- £1 million. Last year the rising premiums led to the transfer place himself behiod the meat of indemnity costs from the medical defence unions to health authorities.

From January 1990 health authorities and trusts have chose the same veoue last year | had to pay legal costs and the awards granted where oegligence was proven.



Loch Ness monster, a Wellington, R for Robert, which was recovered from Loch Ness where it directed during a snowstorm in 1940, is being rehoilt at the Brooklands Museum, Weybridge, Surrey. The partly restored bomber will be on show on Saturday and Sunday to mark Wellington Weekend

Gorbachev says he is in control of Soviet Union

Continued from page 1

oot to join the economic unioo of eight republics. It is understood that he also gave the American president private reassurances about the cootrol ofthe Soviet nuclear arsenal.

Despite the pledges and some straight answers to change in Mr Gorbachev take me out of the action. The which showed his recent loss choice has been made." of power, "The man did oot look very different, but one unexpectedly robust response Gorbachev's position and to could easily sense something as a clear signal from Mr reassure him.Mr Bush refused was missiog. Much of the old Gorbachev to those who may to be drawn into questions flame had gone," one European eovoy commented.

quickly destroyed the mutual senior Russian television in the future. boohomie of the joint oews conference which followed the self-styled "mini-summit" when he asked the Kremlin not make any difference to its leader who was taking his success or failure whether

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WORD WATCHING

By Philip Howard

place and fulfilling his duties during his absence. "I am still the president

Nobody is taking my place. Everybody else is doing what they are supposed to be doing and carrying out their functions", Mr Gorbachev retorted sharply. "I did oot lose my balance then (during the tough questions, Western dip- coup attempt) and I have oot lomatic observers octiced a lost it oow. Nobody is going to

A reporter from Izvestia be resisted strongly. But a

anchorman, Yuri Rostov, told Western reporters: "If there is Amos Oz, Conor Cruise another coup attempt, it will O'Brien and Richard Owen.

Gorbachev is in the country or out. He is not that important any more.

The Middle East peace conference took second place yesterday to Mr Bush's anxious desire to hear from Mr Gorhachev about his personal standing and the chaotic conditions in the Soviet Union. "I am very happy to see my

friend again," a beaming Mr Bush said afterwards during remarks in which he repeat-Soviet experts describe the edly attempted to bolster Mr still be planning his downfall about whether Moscow was that any further attempts will planning to deal more directly with the breakaway republics

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A wet start for much of Scotland and eastern Eng-

land, clearing north-eastwards to leave most parts dry by

midnight. Northern Ireland, Wales, western England and

southwest Scotland should have sunny spells and showers

until a dry evening. Rain is expected in Northern Ireland and

southwest England by midnight. Outlook: rain at first,

becoming windy with gales in the west.

BBC's market move

for licence payers". It would assure politicians that the BBC was as efficient as any other hroadcaster io the period before expiry of its royal charter in 1996. "We didn't want the charter

renewal debate dominated by costs, efficiency, property portfolios and hureaucracy, Mr Checkland said. "We have to prove we are fully competitive with the outside market so that we are oot diverted from the real debate: the role and purpose of BBC services, what the viewers and listeners

want" Roger Bolton, national industrial officer for the BBC Bectu. the h union, accused the manage ment of trying to hijack the debate on the BBC's future. "It seems a small group of senior executives are trying to prevent Parliament and the public making decisions about the future of the BBC by

renewal of the charter. Unions attacked the scheme "toytown accounting". arguing that it would increase, rather than decrease, BBC hureaucracy. "It is a job creation scheme for accountants," Tony Lennon, copresident of Beetu, the broadcasting union, said.

John Birt, page 13

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In The Times tomorrow Nigel Hawkes report project that aims to settle the great American

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- 1 Footwear, Shaw said, comes from this tree (10). 6 Sort of party platform that gets
- 10 Support for the service provided by brewers (3-4). 11 Country house in Kensington
- 12 Elemental feature at the heart of
- Tnikien (9). 13 Mountain hospital gets a good mark (5).

14 Short-lived writer (5).

- 15 ln a frenzy, urge canoe forward 17 Helicopter a threat to such as
- Humpty-Dumpty (3-6). 20 Eastern treaty in the satellite age
- 21 Athenian statesman to look up
- to? (5). 23 Programmed trains etc to give rest times (9). Solution to Puzzle Na 18,749
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- 28 Worn-out, like Theseus before Ariadne aided him (10).

27 Elder Thespian (4).

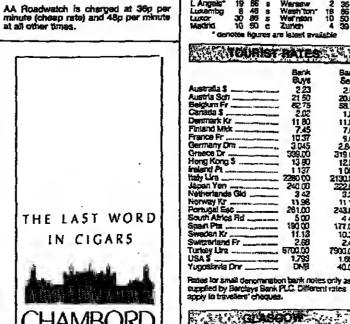
- 1 Lead in court encounter by arrangement (3-2). 2 Nuclear head going into the ground — close shave (4-5). 3 Bishop's approach is all-embrac-
- ing (6-3-5).
- 4 Whereby some of the seeds fell out of the track team (7). 5 Ancient king put amateur in charge of Celuc script (7).
- 7 Walk from the top of the slope 8 Sponsor for top garden cootest
- 9 Request certain Lords perhaps to provide an ornamental garden (8-6), 14 "Bright star, would I were

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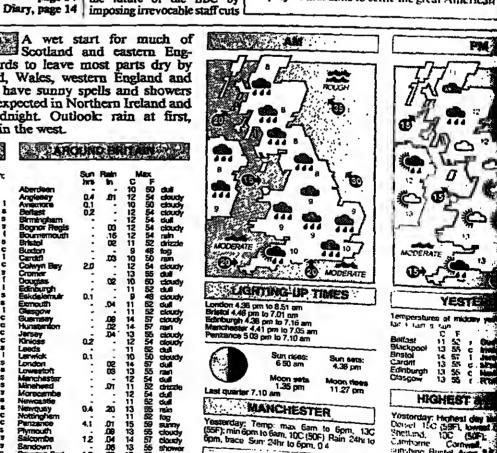
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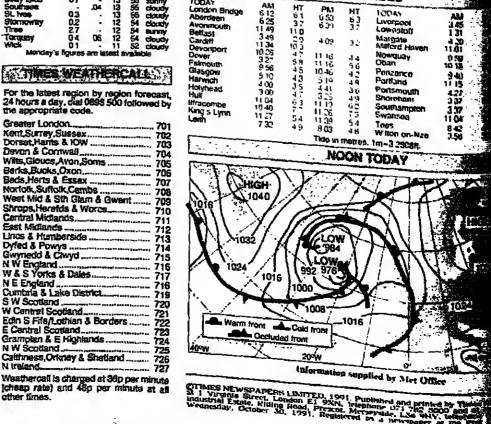
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WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 30 1991

TODAY IN BUSINESS



are seeing the biggest rise in optimism for 17 years, but the British economy could face the threat of a double dip recessio Page 27

IN TINSELTOWN

Toshiba and C Itoh have become the latest to take a stake in Hollywood, revealing a joint partnership with Time Warner to control existing Time businesses in film. television and cable Page 25

POST RESTANTE



Sir Bryan Nicholson, Post Office chairman, suggests that private competitors should charge 50p - against 24p charged for first-class letters at the moment Page 25

JUST THE TONIC

SmithKline Beecham, the pharmaceutical group, benefited from a £12

million lawsuit payment in the third quarter to end-September, Sales of Tagamet, the peptic ulcer medicine, rose 5 per cent Tempus, page 26

FROTHING OVER



Nobby Clark, the chairman of Foster's Brewery, has threatened to resign over not obtaining an assurance of support from the old chairman John Elliott Page 24

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US district attorney says UK has not helped in BCCI enquiry

SFO accused of failing to co-operate

From Susan Ellicott in Washington

fice has been accused of failing to co-operate with American investigations into alleged corruption and money-laundering by the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce us to comment on what Mr International. Morgenthau said," she said

In his second complaint after speaking to Mrs Mills. bout British institutions in Mr Morgenthau said be did about British institutions in four months, Robert Morgenhe spoke personally to the fraud office in mid-July but "did not get anywhere". He could assist enquiries into the BCC1 affair.

1989, has a reputation as one of America's toughest prosecutors. His office has no power of subpoena to obtain potentially useful documents or speak to would-be witnesses in Britain without Britisb co-operation,

He said his staff have sent two letters proposing an ex-change of information. One of his senior assistants also had lunch with Barbara Mills, the SFO's director, and Chris Dickson, the case controller on the BCCl investigation, he said. Yet the London office had "so far declined to make documents or witnesses available to us," Mr Morgenthau

A spokeswoman for the fraud office yesterday declined to give details of the district attorney's alleged approaches or the alleged responses. "We do not feel it is appropriate for

not understand why the roles thau, the Manhattan district of the liquidator and pros-amorney, told *The Times* that ecutors should be linked. "We view our role as to find out what crimes have been committed and we thought added that members of his that was the role of the SFO. staff were in London ten days We think that if we find where ago, when they again offered money has been stolen and senior SFO officials a chance where it has been hidden we to exchange information that could help recuperate assets,"

investigators have esti-mated that BCCI may have Mr Morgenthau, who began investigating the Luxembourg-based bank's dealings in tween \$4 billion and \$15 down its operations after cit-ing fraud and corruption. Depositors in Britain, among them local governments and families of Pakistani descent, are believed to bave lost about \$4 billion.

NEDC likely to reject

Japan-style bargaining

THE government and Brit- has been seen by The Times, is government and the Confed-

ain's employers are expected a firmly neutral description eration of British Industry. Mr

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regulation of a bank for which no single central bank had said. While his representatives made headlines last year, year contract worth \$600,000 were treated courteously in when a Florida judge fined it by the sheikh, who is under London, they were told that \$15 million for money-investigation by American the Confederation of British showing the recession still though the CBI acknowledged the fraud office could not color and an alleged the fraud off

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the tripartite National Eco-

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Though the prime min-

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paper on wage bargaining and

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Dr Waher Ettis, NEDC's

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THE Serious Fraud Of- was "a deal with the Mr Morgeothau has called fice has been accused of liquidator". "the largest bank fraud in "the largest bank fraud in world financial history". BCCI was founded in the early Seventies by Agha Hasan Abedi, a Pakistani banker, and quickly became one of the biggest privately owned banks

in the world.

"We have a lot of information which we think would be of help to the SFO," Mr Morgenthau said.

The fraud office was set up after the 1987 Criminal Justice Act to investigate and prosecute the most serious and complex frauds in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. As an independent body, it has extensive investigative powers that go beyond the limits of anti-fraud police

Mr Morgenthau's complaints about the fraud office tween 54 billion and \$15 he complained publicly that billion between 1972 and last July, when banking regulators in eight countries, including Britain and America, closed down its operations after the Bank has been "extended the Bank has been "extended to be a superior of the Bank has been "extended to be a superior co-operative" since early June, or shortly after his published remarks. Attention in Washington

has refocused on BCCI in past days after President Bush 4 billion, ordered an enquiry into the The alleged stone-walling by relationship between Ed Rogthe fraud office highlights the ers, a former White House difficulty of co-ordinating the aide, and Sheik Kamal Adham, a leading figure in the banking scandal. Mr Rogers supervision, even though the worked under John Summu, lending institution operated in about 70 countries in its this summer. Shortly after heyday. The BCCI affair first leaving, he was hired on a two-

moves towards greater pay co-

Both regard such develop-

ments as a negative step away

Sixties and Seventies.



Lunch, but "no co-operation": Barbara Mills, director of the Serious Fraud Office

CBI shows confidence up

By Our Industrial Editor

by actual increases in output

than has been recorded.

The CBI emphasised an uncomfortable dependence on exports, a worse than expected fall in demand and a forecast of a further 5,000 job losses in manufacturing per week as much as the surge in general business optimism.

David Wigglesworth, chairman of the CBI's economic situation committee, said: "We are now seeing the flickering signs of an upturn from what is still a severe recessing."

The results of the CBI's survey showed that confidence among manufacturers from pay decentralisation and has strengthened for the first mance, and as a return to what time in three years, with 19 per cent more confident and Howard, employment sec- ordination that other econo- they see as the discredited 17 per cent less so than four economic machinery of the months ago. With most, 64 per cent, still showing no Dr Eltis'spaper is critical of change, this gives a balance of 2 per cent of those saying more

succeed in the particular con-ditions of the UK is "a matter directors. over those saying less. "Telephone number salcentage point change in con-It does, bowever, make the aries can have significant point that Britain's "inter-knock-on effects," it says. fidence from the figure reported in the last CBI survey "The rewards of those who in July and is the biggest swing ively high degree of collective can turn round companies can in coofidence since 1982, and bargaining alongside moves go on to become the norm for the biggest upward rise since re-emergence at the NEDC. It towards pay decentralisation those administering going 1963. The Treasury, using an - "may be rather disadvanta- concerns of the same size, unpublished seasonally adgeous in comparison with a even if they are being run justed series based on the wholehearted pursuit of either rather unsuccessfully, so the CBI's data, said it was the link between pay and perforbiggest quarterly rise in con-fidence for 17 years. Though The document is expected mance at the top can become CBI economists remain scep-

BUSINESS signalled the tical about the value of such a some time afterwards. Combeginning of the end of the rise in confidence as an in-recession yesterday when the dicator at a time when other slight improvement in orders latest large-scale survey from indicators in the survey are over the next few months, the Confederation of British showing the recession still though the CBI aeknowledged boost in business confidence out yesterday that previous put and employment had all - but also revealed that the similar rises in confidence at fallen more than was expected recession has hit even harder parallel points in previous at the time of the last survey in recessions have been followed July.

> and orders, and they expect expected to worsen. The CBI that to happen again. said that manufacturing In the 1975 trough, output employment is estimated to began to increase at the same have fallen by 69,000 in the time as confidence returned, third quarter, and was forecast though in the 1980 downturn to fall by a further 61,000 in output only started to grow the final three months.

City mops up BAe loose ends

By GRAHAM SEARJEANT

ALMOST 12 million shares in British Aerospace, a tenth of the group's rights issue, were placed among financial in-stitutions at 357p by BAe's brokers yesterday, in an attempt to mop up loose holdiogs after the near-complete failure of the issue. Only 4.9 per cent of the £430 million new shares were taken up at the asking price of 380p, mainly by small shareholder. mainly by small shareholders. BAe shares, which have

stayed obstinately below the rights price, fell a further 6p to 363p with little sign of any stake-building.

Kleiowort Benson, BAe's adviser, maintained that the

extent of the failure reflected the underwriting mechanics and that the remaining \$5 per cent of the issue should not be regarded as overhanging the market. Most of the sub-uoderwriters were existing BAe institutional shareholders who bad ehosen to take their new BAe shares up via their underwriting allotment rather than by subscribing to the

The bankers said they had sub-underwritten the issue largely by going to institutional sharebolders and offering them 14 per cent commission, equivalent to 6p per share, to guaraotee to take unwanted slock pro rata with

their existing holdings.

When the issue seemed doomed to fail, underwriting shareholders decided not to subscribe, since they would get stock anyway through underwriting. They received new shares at a cost of 374p net of commission, although they are still showing a loss.

Kleinwort canvassed potential buyers and sellers yesterday morning before arranging the pooled placing through Hoare Govett and Kleinwort Securities, albeit at nearly 10p a share less than originally boped. Dealers' attempts to con-

tinue Monday's rally in share prices failed. An early markup pushed the FTSE 100 share index up 19 points early in the marning, but buyers stayed away. The index ended 5.2 points down at 2,553.3.

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By NEIL BENNETT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

BARCLAYS Bank is planning to launch a new code of practice oext month, designed to answer criticism of its service in small businesses and win business from high street rivals. Coofideolial documents

from the bank show that the code will offer more services 10 small husinesses than Midland's business charter issued two weeks ago. A memo to branch man-

agers says the bank wants to to complain about the charges improve our competitive position by introducing a code which is more attractive to husinesses than that of the other banks".

The main feature will be a promise to send small business customers a full breakdown of interest and com- year, will cost Barclays an mission charges on their estimated £3 million a year, the banks until the end of the current accounts ten days but it plans to absorb the cost year to produce their new



Quinton: more services This will give companies time with their manager before they are debited from their accounts. Until now banks have only supplied a breakdown of charges on request.

The new measure, in come into force at the end of next before the end of each quarter. without increasing charges. In codes, but they were given

was considering ways of m- Sir Gordoo Borrie, directortroducing invoicing for general of Fair Trading, accheques and other means of cused the banks of being "high-haoded aod insen-Sir John Quinton, Barclays sitive" to their dealings with chairman, is producing the small businesses. bank's new code in response Barclays' code Barclays' code goes further

in a request from the Chan-than these recommendations. cellor last July. This came All the bank's tariffs will be after the Treasury and the confirmed io writing, and Bank of England had reviewed businesses will be given one the banks' treatment of small month's notice of any change businesses. The Treasury received more

than 1,000 letters of complaint details of Barclays' complaiots

about the banks during its procedure in case of disputes enquiry, and Mr Lamont decided that the codes were needed to improve their service. He said that the codes should ensure that companies recieved a full tariff of all bank has called for legal contracts to charges, and be given ade- be introduced between banks quate warning of any change. The Chancellor has given all

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Gestetner issues profits warning

By MARTIN WALLER

GESTETNER Holdings, the nffice equipment company, has issued a surprise profit warning just five weeks after selling a 24 per cent stake to Ricoh, of Japan.

A sudden sales downturn in September, a vital month for Gesterner, has cost the inh of Barry Hartnp, a main board director. Day-to-day control nf the office equipment divisinn passes to Basil Sellers, chairman and chief executive.

Gestetner shares fell 26p m 158p on news that profits for the year to end-October would be "somewhat below" market expectations because of difficulties in nffice equipment, although the photographic division continued to trade in line with budget.

Ricoh effectively paid 250p a share fir its hilding, in £122 million, and is therefore looking at a £45 million book loss on the deal.

The market had been expecting £35 million tn £38 milling pre-tax from the group this year, Forecasts have been scaled back to between £25 millinn and £30 million, hut these are highly provisional and depend on October sales

Australian group that also has plunge into losses of £7.3 a 24 per cent stake, are leaving millinn in the first half of the that company's board to concentrate on Gestetner. They are Greg Melgaard, the British company's deputy chairman, Brian Copsey, finance director, and David Fitzsimnns.

Mr Melgaard said Ricoh supported the decisions taken. "I'm not trying to pretend expand into full-service facthey would be ecstatic at this." be said. "Of course it's disappointing. I think they understand the situation is

deteriorating."
Alarm bells had rung at Gestetner with the discovery that September's sales were more than 10 per cent below budget. Mr Melgaard said. September and October, because of the seasonal nature of the business, account for about 30 per cent of the invoice discounting busioess division's annual profit before and establishing systems to interest and tax.

Board of Foster's fails to ensure support of Elliott

From Brian Buchanan in Sydney

became public yesterday when Nobby Clark, the chairman, threatened to resign. Mr Clark said he had sought, but failed, to nbtain an assurance of support from John Elliott, the hrewer's firmer chief.

In a letter to shareholders, the firmer head of National Australia Bank said he had asked for an unqualified assurance from Mr Elliott that his

Discount firm tries new field

BANKING CORRESPONDENT

UNION Discount, the lossmaking discount house, bas launched a new invoicediscounting subsidiary to provide working capital for small and medium-sized companies as the recession ends.

Union Discount Commercial Finance, the new subsidiary, is the firm's latest diversification away from its traditinual discounting business. Sabre Leasing, an earlier Three directors of AFP, the diversification, was principally responsible for Union's

> UDCF starts with £200 million of invoices from its predecessor, Union Discount Invoice Financing, and plans to increase this book to £750 toring, where it will manage companies' sales ledgers, within a year.

> Union has injected £250,000 into the new company and will supply more capital as its assets grow. UCDF will be launched officially next week.

David Pretlove, managing director of the oew company, bas speot five mooths reorganising Union's existing cope with the rise in business.

A BOARDROOM battle for company, International Brewpower at Foster's Brewing ing Holdings, would continue to support the existing structure of the board.

Reports have suggested that Mr Elliott has been lobbying Asahi, the Japanese brewer that has about 20 per cent of Foster's to support his return

Mr Elliott's cash-starved IBH, formerly known as Harrin Holdings, has 37 per cent of Foster's. It wants the brewer to start issuing dividends again because such payouts are the company's only source of income, providing the cash it needs to pay debis.

The AMP Society, Austraha's biggest institutional investor, has already made a veiled rebuff to Mr Elliott's wishes, praising the existing team of Mr Clark and Peter Bartels, the managing direc-

In his letter, Mr Clark said the existing board structure was the "fundamental basis" on which he accepted the position of chairman last year.

He added: "I certainly regret that this disturbing situation has developed. However, the present board structure was the subject of a specific agreement between the chairman of IBH and me. "If this structure were to be

changed, then I believe that the basis for a balanced board with an independent chairman would be gone. I dnubt that I would be able to continue in those circumstances," said Mr Clark. The finely balanced Fos-

ter's board could be changed at the annual meeting on November 13, when one independent director retires and annther offers himself for reelection. To make use of this opportunity to change the balance of power, Mr Elliott would need to attract voting

In his statement, Mr Clark said he was proud of the achievements at Foster's in the past 12 months, including a doubling in size of the company's brewing business in the United Kingdom.



British industry **'overpays** for gas'

By PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

LARGE UK industrial companies are at a competitive disadvantage in world markets because of the price of gas, according to a survey of international gas prices.

The annual international gas price survey by National Utility Services looked at September prices in nine

countries. While gas prices in Britain have been relatively stable, the survey suggests that large industrial users are getting a worse deal than other consumers - something about which they have complained both to British Gas and tn Ofgas, the industry's regul-

The survey finds no movement in international gas price placings, with the UK still in fourth position. Italy tops the table for the third year. However, prices are rising more slowly in Britain now; the country has fallen from fifth to seventh in terms of the rate of increase. Gas prices are increasing most quickly in Germany and most slowly in

In the 12 mnnths to September, the average cost of gas for husiness users increased by 2.1 per cent, against a September inflation rate of 4.7 per cent. But heavy industrial users and large consumers on firm contracts for processing and manufacturing fare less well.

Large industrial consumers in Britain pay on average the second-highest prices for their gas, with firm contract customers tying with Italy for second place. In both cases German companies top the

National Utility Services said the differing treatment of industrial and other users placed Britain at a competitive disadvantage. Andrew Johns, general sales manager, said: "By paying in some cases as much as 27 per cent more for gas than their European counterparts, UK companies are unable to compete effec-tively."

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

GPE raises £100m of long-term debt GREAT Portland Estates, the country's sixth-largest property company, has raised £100 million of long-term debt through the successful issue of a 30 wast debenyure stock.

through the successful issue of a 30-year debenture stock. The latest issue further reinforces the commitment of Richard Peskin, chairman, to secure stable, long-term borrowings for GPE. Since he became chairman in 1986. Mr Peskin has raised around £200 million of long-dated debt, with the latest issue raising the average cost of these borrowings to around 10.4 per cent. But, unlike many property company chairman, Mr Peskin has been spending money. The new mnney will be used to finance the business of GPE and subsidiaries.

Although the successful placing of the issue confirms

GPE's strength in the property sector, the listing particulars make it clear that the pain in the property market is continuing. Some 45 per cent of GPE's investment portfolio has fallen in value by an average of 6.5 per cent since the

SAS to fly to Vilnius

SCANDINAVIAN Airlines System will start twice-weekly flights between Copenhagen and Vilnius, capital of Lithuania, in January.

SAS, half-owned by the governments of Sweden, Norway

and Denmark, already has two flights a week between Copenhagen and Riga, Latvia, and three a week from Copenhagen via Stockholm to Tallinn, the Estonian capital. As the Scandinard flag carrier, SAS has first choice of the contract of the routes in the region.

IBC remains in red

INTERNATIONAL Business Communications (Holdings). the restructured conference and publishing group, continued to make losses in the first half despite disposals. Operating profits for the six months to end-June were £2.2 million (£7.8 million), but a £4.6 million interest charge resulted in a £2.4 million pre-tax deficit. Again, there is no interim dividend. Peter Rigby, chief executive, said the group had suffered from recession and the Gulf war, which had caused a slump

Popular cash call

LASMO, the oil exploration and production concern, said a Can\$30 million (£15 million) rights issue by Lasmo Canada, its 55 per cent owned associate, was oversubscribed. The proceeds will be used to reduce bank borrowings and finance exploration projects.

The company, which operates primarily in Alberta and Saskatchewan, issued 4.6 million shares at Can\$6.50 on the basis of one new share for every seven held. The shares are traded on stock exchanges in Toronto and Montreal.

TNT still in the red

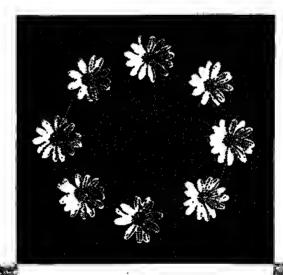
TNT, the Australian international transport group, has passed its first-quarter dividend after recording another net loss, albeit only Aus\$115,000 (£53,000), in the three months to end-September. Fred Miller, the chairman, said the group was unlikely to pay a dividend for the full year and that he

expected the full-year result to be disappointing.

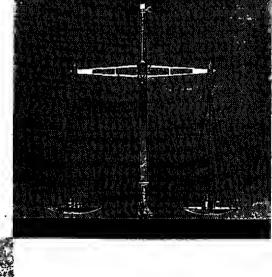
The first-quarter's loss was Aus\$20.7 million (profit of \$22.3 million) before abnormal profits of \$20.5 million. TNT lost Aus\$197 million in the year to end-June.

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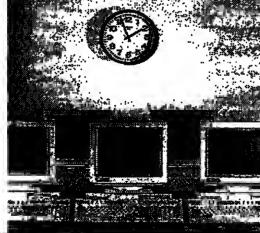
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sum it charged against third-quarter profits, which rose

staff pay and benefit payments said that last year when the had not yet set bonuses for this been maintained, the bank securities arm of the firm year. Salomon's bonus year would have made a \$12 earned a 10 per cent return on runs to the end of September million loss in the quarter.

cent from \$509 million to profits were flat, total pay \$212 million and says that jumped by more than \$120

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The suggestion, made by Sir Bryan Nicholson, PO chair-man, is the first time that the

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on the monopoly price level since John Major announced

in the citizen's charter in July

that the present £1 minimum

for posting a letter with a firm

competing with the Royal

Mail would come "much

eloser" to the price of first

Post Office to competition.

cil, the industry's watchdog,

cootents of Sir Bryan's state-

future of European postal

the PO Users National Coun-hold.

conference in London on the and others.

class mail, currently 24p.

Compete at 50p

a letter, says PO

By OUR INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE government should re- would be "no big bang" for the

duce the monopoly threshold PO, and while he would not

for letter posting initially to put a government figure on 50p, the Post Office suggested the monopoly threshold, he

yesterday, with the option of said: "Our aim is to reduce it

cutting it further once the until it reaches the minimum

impact of the reduction oo level that is necessary to allow

obligations."

appropriate."

Since then, the PO and the competition, he gave a warn-

trade department have been in ing that it would be wrong if

regular discussions on the any group were penalised in

charge level, which in effect terms of cost or quality as a

gives the Royal Mail a monop- result of giving an advantage

oly on handling letters. A to any other group, "however

lower charge will expose the vociferous they may be".

Edward Leigh, industry released the results of a Mori

conference, he said there Mail would be unpopular.

From Philip Robinson in New York SALOMON Brothers, the distotal staff pay this year will be million. Mr Buffett now wants

Salomon staff face

pay cut to help

The bank is renowned on Wall Street for rontinely paying multimillion-dollar bonuses to executives, and Warren Buffett, the new chairman, says some of these had The bank expects to have to been paid irrespective of profits performance.

In a statement to shareholdfrom \$79 million to \$85 described Salomon's pay structure as "irrational in Had the previous year's certain crucial respects". He equity - far below the average Salomon Brothers has cut American business — 106 the total cost of its compensation and benefits by 58 per lion or more. And when group

the monopoly threshold, he

the Post Office to meet its

ference there was no customer

benefit to be gained from

throwing caution to the wind.

and proposed a step-by-step

approach: "After an initial

reduction, perhaps to 50p,

new entrant activity could be

reviewed to see its effect oo

customers as a whole, and

further reductions made if

While he said there was

strong support for choice and

Some potential private couri-

Sir Bryan told the con-

to pay a greater proportion of which must be held for at least

He said said: "Our pay for performance philosophy will undoubtedly cause some manpay out at least \$200 million whether executives had abnormal number of people to in fines and other penalties, a contributed significantly to leave the firm, the results would not necessarily be bad. In the end, we must have after tax and other payments ers yesterday, Mr Buffett people to match our principles, not the reverse."

A spokesman for Salomon said last night that the bank while its financial year matches the calendar. Salomon staff usually know

the extent of bonuses by this The bank is being investi-

gated by four government agencies and faces almost 40 legal actions after admitting unlawful dealings in eight American Treasury bond auc-tions between last December It claims to have made very

JP Morgan

goes to

school in

the City

By NEIL BENNETT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

ROBIN Leigh-Pemberton, the

governor of the Bank of

England, officially opened the

new London headquarters of

The American investmen

bank's new boilding is an

emphatic commitment to the

City. Four years and £400 million were spent redevelop-ing the school. The bank has

recouped £220 million by

selling 52.5 per cent of the

lease to Sumitomo, the Japa-

The focus of the building is

the marble great hall, built in

1881. The front of the building

The rear has been rebuilt to

house a 280-scat dealing

room. In all, 1,000 staff will be

housed in an area of 450,000

In his speech, Mr Leigh-

Pemberton reminded his aud-

ience that the bank was

founded in London in 1838.

23 years before it opened in

Sir Dennis Weatherstone

the bank's chairman, said the

building offered the means of managing risk into the 21st century. "The lesson of the

last few years," he said, "is

that risk can and must be

managed, not just avoided."

New York.

come a dining room.

IP Morgan in the former City

of London School.

nese bank.

little profit from the deals. Of a total \$19.7 million made in eight auctions, only \$3.3 million to \$4.6 million was made from hids that were unauthorised

Mr Buffett says from what he knows so far, there were only a few employees who behaved "egregionsly". Salomon has sacked Paul

Mozer, its chief Treasury bond trader, who had collected \$11 million in pay and bonuses in three years to 1990, and Thomas Murphy, his deputy. Four other top executives, including John Gutfreund, Mr Buffett's predecessor, have resigned. Salomon shares were un-changed at \$26.125 in early

trading on Wall Street yesterday but climbed \$1,375 on Monday shortly before Salomon took what its staff described as the unconvenis listed and may not be altered, though every room tional step of releasing its quarterly figures as copy for a oow has a new purpose. The headmaster's study has bedouble-page spread advertise-ment in three prominent newspapers. This was about 15 hours before they were generally available to US investors via the New York

Ministers have not made ers have been lobbying both Stock Exchange. their views clear, although the PO and the government A spokesman for the bank both the trade department and hard on the monopoly thressaid: "We took ads in the New The government intends to nal and the Washington Post were made aware of the create a new regulator for the because we wanted to say what PO, already dubbed "Offpost" we wanted to say. We delivered the copy to the New York ment well in advance of his along the lines of similar making it yesterday at a regulators for BT, British Gas Times at 6pm last night. The action was cleared with the Also at the conference, the

lawyers." UCW communications union Salomon's profit figures were running in London well minister, confirmed the grad- poll carried out for the union before American investors ualist approach proposed by which it said showed that had woken up and before the the PO. Speaking at the same privatisation of the Royal 9.30am start to trading in New

being forced to consider new

markets with particular care

since it has been worst hit, of

by the slowdown of domestic

growth and the effects of the

collapse of the financial "bub-

published half-year figures

down 3 per cent and pre-tax profit down 62.6 per cent.

the cable television business

and to introduce interactive

society. Yesterday's tie-up will

showing parent company sales



Morning assembly: Sir Dennis Weatherstone, chairman, said the bank's new building gave the means to manage risk into the next century

By MARTIN WALLER

TWO of the unsuccessful hidders in the independent television franchise round, Thames TV and Television South West Holdings, have unveiled financial figures that tional impact from the Gulf show the scars of the advertising downturn in the industry. of Independent Television Thames has reported a News.

£4.04 million loss before tax, against profits of £10.3 million last time, and slashed the interim dividend from 5.15p to 2.5p. The group is blaming heavy expenditure on programmes transmitted and sold, which rose from £77.4 million to £91.5 million.

This was largely an accident of timing, said Derek Hunt, the finance director, as four substantial drama series were transmitted during the first half, the costs of all of which have to be taken immediately.

second half by strong programme sales, and Thames is a buyout will come previous levels despite the forecasting "a substantial immediately, as under City profits downturn.

operating profit" from the takeover rules an approach final six months of the year. Net advertising revenue fell level at which Thorn offered 8.3 per cent during the first to buy shares in February. half, and there was an addiwar on revenue and the costs

executive, said Thames would announced pre-tax profits be maximising future earnings down from £4.7 million to for shareholders as the fran-£146,000 in the 12 months to chise expired. This is likely to end-July. The reported figure mean the cancellation of some local programming, aithough the broadcaster will keep to its contractual minimum level agreed with the Independent Television Commission, the industry watchdog.

Thorn EMI owns almost 59 dividend as well as a 0.77p per cent of Thames TV, and special payout. It plans a 3p there has been speculation that it may eventually launch They would be offset in the a bid for the minority shares. The market does not believe dend payments at their

Long on distance.

would have to be at the 250p Thames shares fell 4p to 197p

Thames plans to cootinue as an independent producer. TV South West has yet to state Richard Dunn, the chief its future course, but it has would have been three times as large, said Sir Brian Bailey, the chairman, but for the cost of mounting the franchise bid.

yesterday.

The company, which has changed its financial year end, is paying a 2p second interim final, which will give a 7p total for the 17 months to end-December, maintaining divi-

Whisky bid is finely balanced

By MARTIN BARROW

THE takeover battle for Invergordon Distillers, which eloses at 1pm today, appeared finely balanced last night after Whyte & Maekay claimed to speak for 41.5 per cent, but parties considered supportive of the board mopped up more than I million shares.

Robert Fleming, the mer-chant bank advising Invergordon, and de Zoete & Bevan acquired 656,000 and 434,000 shares respectively at the offer price of 275p. Wbyte & Mackay dismissed the purchases as "a spoiling tactic".

Funds associated with Flemings already speak for 15 per ceot of Invergordoo while BZW lovestment Management holds about 1.5 per ceot. Whyte & Maekay increased its own sharebolding to 39.2 per cent and confirmed that it had received acceptances in respect of 2.3 per cent for its cash offer of 275p, giving it control over 41.5 per ceot.

Hello Tosh — Time Warner gets a Toshiba link-up in deal worth \$1bn

From Joanna Pitman

TOSHIBA Corporation, one of Japan's most conservative industrial groups, has succumbed to the starry lights of Hollywood. With C Itoh, Ja-pan's largest trading company, Toshiba has announced a \$1 billion investment in a new entertainment company that will control the film and televisioo production and distribution, cable system operations and cable programming of Time Warner.

The investment in Time Warner, whose ehairman is Steven Ross, is conspicuous for its caution in comparison with the acquisitive approach of two rival Japanese electronic companies. When Sony Corporation bought Columbia Pictures in September 1989, it paid \$3.4 billion. Last December, Matsushita Electric purand C Itoh. hillion. Both paid for outright magic of Hollywood.

to make a cash injection on Matsushita deals. Hiroshi Nakada, an elec- profits.

tronics industry economist at

and software that Sony and cable operator, and where They want Time Warner's Sony and Matsushita, its Matsushita reputedly sought Toshiba is predicting future film library." The Toshiba electronics rivals.



Looking to Japan: Steven Ross, of Time Warner evidently did not appeal to the growth in Japan. Toshiba is chief executives of Toshiba

While they may have enchased MCA, the parent of While they may have ensince it has been worst hit, of Universal Studios, for \$6.1 joyed Warner's Batman, all Japan's electronics giants, which took Tokyo by storm, control and entertained vi- most Toshiba men have trasions of cross-fertilising the ditionally been more ingenius of Japanese electronie terested in the inner workings ble" economy. Last week, it engineers with the artistic of nuclear reactors and semiconductors than dramas from magic of Hollywood.

According to reports in Jupan, Time Warner, which has \$8.7 hillion debts, tried to access to Time Warner's cable and pay-television businesses, and pay-television businesses, and pay-television businesses. without their having to take the scale of the Sony and the risks on the fortunes of lavish silver screen epics for their

Unlike its rivals, Toshiba is Long Term Credit Bank, said: not interested in much more "Time Warner is also desthan a loose link with cludes advances in high-defiperate for cash. Its oew JapaWarner's film-making businition television, with Time cautious and limited nature of nese partners will not see ness. It is calle television where Toshiba would like to dividends for some time."

Warner's abilines to develop Toshiba's investment, shared the software. Mr Nakada said: with C Itoh, reflects the extent But the kind of ill-defined tap Time Warner's experience synergy between hardware as America's second-largest hungry for American software. differ between Toshiba and

alliance with C Itoh is unusual. Toshiba is tied into the Mitsui Group, one of the original industrial combines or zaibatsu that have existed since before the war on the basis of mutual cross-shareholdings between member companies.

The Mitsui Group includes Mitsui Bussan, one of C Itoh's biggest trading rivals. In a nation where the fiercely competitive zaibatsu still exert enormous influence on corporate relationships, such a blatant breaking of allegiances is remarkable. Both companies are well

positioned for the near term future. Joichi Aoi, Toshiba's president, believes that consumer electronics, the core business of both Sony and Matsushita, has been going through a decline. Few believe this trend will be reversed for some time. At Toshiba, consumer products account for 20 per cent of sales, as opposed to 40 per cent at Matsushita and 80 per cent at Sony.

Toshiba's engineers are forging ahead with new developments in its traditional semiconductors, electronics and computiog rofit down 62.6 per cent.

Toshiba intends to develop tal spending hudget of Y250 be cable television business billion (£1.1 billion) for the current fiscal year and Y272 billion for research and development

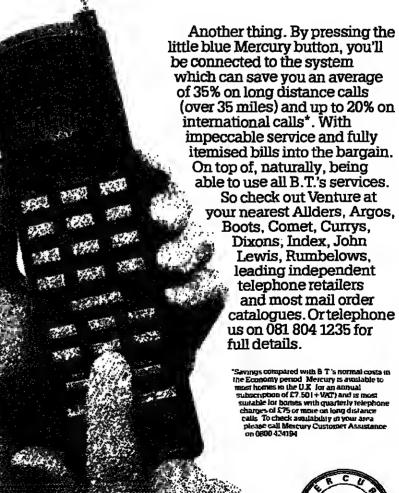
systems into the living rooms of Japan's video-addicted While Toshiba would have marry C Itoh's and Toshiba's had little difficulty in raising hardware expertise, which in-"Both Japanese companies are to which corporate values

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SmithKline Beecham still finds the going tough

SMITHKLINE Beecham has cut its gearing from 100 per cent to 56 per cent so far in 199t, and is on target to bring it down to 50 per cent by the end of the year.

The company continues to improve trading margins. In the third quarter to end-September, these rose by 1.2 percentage points to 22.6 per cent, and Robert Bauman, chief executive, is pleased that earnings momentum is

But the group has not yet addressed the gap between its Siamese share twins, the American-British holding remains 60:40, the equity units are not yet included in Standard & Poor's 500 index, and analysts focus on sales, oot profits.

That said, third-quarter pre-tax profits, at £252 million against £218 million, were flattered by a £12 million lawsuit part pay-ment, and sales strength in pharmaceuticals has been eroded by weakness in con-

Overall sales growth at comparable exchange rates was 4 per cent in the third quarter, compared with 5 per cent in the first and 6 per cent in the second. Trading conditions remain tough in several markets, so pre-tax profits forecasts remain at £1 billion (£860 million) for the year to end-December. That puts the shares, up 12p at 756p, on a prospective mul-

tiple of 15.9. Until there is hard evidence that the company is getting close to its sales growth target of 8 to 10 per cent, the shares will not be aggressively bought.

Macarthy

MACARTHY effectively surrendered its independence the day it recom-mended an offer by Lloyds Chemist. But having determined that its days are numbered it becomes more difficult to establish who the eventual executor will be -

and on what terms. Shareholders cannot claim



Pleased at momentum: Robert Bauman, of SB

a lack of choice. They may accept an all-shares offer hy Grampian Holdings, which has become the target of almost hysterical attacks hy Macarthy, or they can await the outcome of a monopolies commission enquiry in the hope that either Unichem or Lloyds Chemists may renew their offers.

A third option is to sell in the market and lock into the current price of 271p. Prebid, the shares traded at around 160p and if the Grampian offer lapses the downside is considerable.

Macarthy has been contesting bids since mid-May and it is hard to accept that husiness has not suffered. It failed to issue a profit forecast in its defence even though its year-end is September 30, raising doubts about its recent perform-

The MMC has seized the chance to consider not just the bid but the whole issue of pharmaceutical distribution. Even if Lloyds, Macarthy's preferred choice, is allowed to re-bid there could be strings attached that would reduce the attraction. Grampian's offer values

Macarthy at 285p a share, against Lloyds' mostly paper bid, which was worth 306p at its peak. Cautious investors should sell in the market but Grampian's paper will appeal to the longer-term STOCK MARKET

Spotlight turns on supermarkets. as price war starts building up

Wales were generally easier in

line with the market. Smith

New Court, the broker, has

produced a study, advising a

review of the institutions

Although a long-term buyer of the sector generally, SNC

highlights the potential of

Yorkshire, down 3p at 284p, Southern, off 4p at 249p,

Midlands, unchanged at 258p,

Norweb, 2p higher at 270p.

East Midlands, lp ahead at

Alistair Buchanan, an elec-

able to hold price increases

next spring to below the

maximum permissible and so

satisfy the regulator, while still

providing real growth in divi-

at 297p.

at current prices.

THE supermarket chains were back under the City spotlight amid claims that the food price war has intensified with margins continuing to be eroded. This time, it seems the supermarkets' suppliers have added to their woes by cutting prices in an effort to boost their own sales.

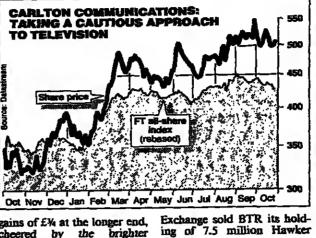
Heinz of America started the ball rolling by reducing the price of its baked beans and other tinned foods. Mars, the big American confectionery group, has also decided to cut the price of several brands of pet foods. Dealers believe that British food suppliers may soon be forced to follow.

Hillsdown, 2p dearer at 202p, and Dalgety, 1p cheaper at 380p, are regarded as being the most vulnerable to increased competition. Analysts say that pressure is now growing oo the retailers to cut their prices, putting more pressure oo margins.

There were falls for Tesco, 6p to 230p, Marrison Super-markets, 2p to 285p, Iceland Frozen Foods, 4p to 396p, and Kwik Save, 7p to 564p. J Sainsbury was another weak market, losing 13p to 331p with one broker said to be urging its clients to switch to the rival Argyll, 3p lighter at 273p. Dealers said the Sainsbury price had also been depressed by a line of 2.5 million shares going through the market at 329½p. Sainsbury is due to report its

interim figures next week. Meanwhile, hopes that the rest of the equity market could extend Monday's sharp gains proved short-lived. An early mark-up of almost 20 points failed because of lack of support. The CBI industrial trends survey showed business confidence growing but carried the warning that the recovery was still in the early

The FT-SE 100 index even-2.553.3 with the turnover of 563 million shares swollen by BTR now speaks for 7 per several large placings. Gov- cent. ernment securities sported



gains of £14 at the longer end, the brighter

outlook. 19p to 763p after third-quarter figures showing profits climbing from £218 million to £252 million. Glazo, which last week received approval from the American Food and Drug Administration to market

Northern Foods, the newest member of the FT-SE 100, is finally showing signs of running out of steam after its recent celebratory run, with the price falling 13p to 534p. The speculation persists that Northern is oised to pay Grand Metropolitan, down 6p at 845p, about £250 million for Express Dairy.

Imigran, its anti-migraine drug, in an injectable form, made headway again. The shares, in their new, slimmeddown form, jumped 27p to 787p, helped by American

BTR, down 4p at 390p, has stepped up the pressure in its £1.5 billion battle for Hawker Siddeley, 3p firmer at 724p, with the purchase of more shares. It has bought 1.09 million at up to 719p. This tually closed 5.2 lower at brings the total purchased to 10.3 million, or 5.2 per cent.

Last week, Guardian Royal



Green: franchise hopes Benson, which remains a

strong buyer of the sector. British Aerospace fell 6p to 363p on confirmation that its Invergordon was steady at 265p with Kleinwort Benson, controversial, £432 million the broker, continuing to bid rights issue had been a flop 275p a share for stock. Today After the failure of the is the deadline for Whyte & Hillsdown and BAe fundraising exercises, all eyes will Mackay's bid and it looks like now be on the £350 million being a closely run affair. Shares in the 12 electricity rights issue from Asda, the distributors in England and

> George Wimpey firmed 3p to 161p. But Nikko Securities, says the shares are a sell. Mark Hake, an analyst, says the group needs to build up its housebuilding operations. But with house prices remaining static and little prospect of buying cheap land, margins are almost certain to be squeezed.

troubled supermarket chain. 25 lp and Manweb, lp cheaper Shares of Asda slipped 11/2p to 38½p as a line of 9 million shares went through the martricity analyst at SNC, believes ket. By the close of business, the political and regulatory 23 million shares had changed risks that have held the sector hands. There is growing concern that the bulk of its issue back this year are discounted will be left with the The companies should be

underwriters. Marks and Spencer fell 8p to 275p before the half-year figures today. Gestetner, the office compment group, tumbled 26p to 158p as the group dends of 6 to 8 per cent next gave warning that profits in year and beyond, he says, the current year to October These views also continue to will fail to match expectations. be echoed by rival Kleinwort TV-am, the independent tele-

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vision broadcasting company, rose 3p to 102p. The company's deputy managing director, Tony Vickers, has been appointed director of group sales and marketing for BSkyB. His 30-strong sales team at TV-am will take on the responsibility of selling BSkyB's airtime.

Thames Television, which has just lost the Landon weekday franchise to Carlton Communications. where Michael Green is the chairman, fell 4p to 187p as the company dropped into the red. The group has reported an interim pre-tax loss of £4 million, against a profit for the corresponding period of £10.3 million. The company hlamed a drop in advertising revenues. The second half is

expected to see a recovery. Carlton saw analysts this week to detail its plans for its London weekday franchise. The group will have to spend £100 million between now and January 1993, but stressed this was not risk money and that its business plan saw profits in the first year and full pay-back by end-1996. The company does not intend becoming involved in high-risk productions and will only undertake projects which have been pre-

viously commissioned. Talks continue with LWT. the incumbent and successful London weekend franchiseholder, about the sharing of facilities, but no deal has been reached yet. Carlton strengthened 5p to 510p.

Psion, the hand-held computer group, jumped 12p to 64p on learning that its new computer range Series 3 had won an award in America. The group now has plans to substantially increase production above the current level of

4,000 units per month.

British Thornton was requoted on the big board at I lp after a three-week suspension after several acquisitions and a rights issue. The shares were previously quoted on the

Dow slips

as buying

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New York - Blue chips

slipped in morning trading after buying that was started

by hopes of an easing in credit gave way to quiet selling. The Dow Jones industrial average

American gross national product data for the third quarter

were a mixed bag. American

GNP rose at an annual rate of

2.4 per 'cent after market expectations of 2.6 per cent. Bonds soared on the news,

One analyst said: "What's

good for bonds is not always

☐ Tokyo - Prices closed

firmer, with the Nikkei index ending above 25,000 for the

first time in a week. The Nikkei was up 238.89 points.

or 0.96 per cent, to 25, 140.61.

However, brokers said the gains came mostly at the opening on Wall Street's over-night jump and arbitrage

that the

fell 7.62 to 3,038.

good for stocks."

Analysts said

MICHAEL CLARK

Half-time loss for Acorn Computer

A SHORTFALL in education expenditure, destocking and higher interest costs took their toll at Acorn Computer, the USM micro-computer maker in which Olivetti has an 80 per cent stake.

Acorn slid into the red with a pre-tax loss of £420,000 in the six months to end-June, compared with a £42,000 profit. Sales fell 19.2 per cent to £17.8 million. There is a loss per share of 0.6p (earnings of 0.1p). Once again, there is no interim dividend.

Radamec profit

Radamec Group made a pre-tax profit of £56,000 in the first half of this year (loss of £78,000) in spite of turnover falling from £6.09 million to £5.65 million. Earnings per share were 0.3p (loss of 0.4p). Once again, there is no interim dividend. Radamec expects to remain profitable in the second half.

Bradford rises

Bradford Property Trust reports a 7.3 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £11.2 million for the six months to October 5. The interim dividend is increased to 2p ().7p), matching the increase in earnings per share.

Order for Racal

Racal-Datacom, a subsidiary of the Racal Electronics group facing a £700 million hostile bid from Williams Holdings, has won a £t million managed modern network order from Posten, the Swedish post

Coats' sell-off

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Coats Viyella is continuing its refocusing with the disposal nf the Tootal Apparel and Tootal Fashinn divisions of Tootal Clothing to their manager

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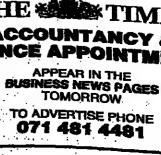
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BAe puts on a brave face

ir Graham Day, chairman of British Aerospace, put as brave a face as possible on the complete failure of the group's rights issue yesterday. The company has its money, after all, and sentiment was set against the issue right at the start by the confusion and uncertainty caused by the boardroom coup that ousted Professor Sir Roland Smith. Hectic lobbying of shareholders by Dick Evans, the chief executive, and finance director Dudley Eustace, backed by the comforting figure of Sir Graham, has already helped restore longer-term confidence among has already helped restore longer-term confidence among some of the most outraged institutions. Only a late general rise in share prices would, however, have persuaded underwriting shareholders to subscribe rather than acquire their extra shares by the back door. The prophesy of failure was self-fulfilling, keeping BAe shares below the rights price.

Management has the strongest of motivations for helping shareholders to recoup at least some of their losses, to persuade them not to welcome proviers on the look-out for loose stock. The strongest card has been Mr Evans plain assertion: "We will oot come back with any more cash calls". This is full of meaning for investors to whom the main attraction of BAe shares is their rare 9 per ceot dividend yield. Sir Graham has committed his board to living within its means, which requires a fundamental change of outlook for a company still undercapitalised in comparison with its most important

Consolidation rather than adventure is the priority. Peripheral assets will be sold. Operational management will conceotrate oo cutting stocks and work in progress in the core defence, aircraft and Rover car husinesses. Any-thing that looks like absorbing cash will, if possible, be shunted into a joint venture, with the satellite and regional airliner businesses at the top of the list. French companies are Mr Evans' most favoured partners,

despite their reputation for never being equal partners.

The implications for the long-term future of BAe can only be guessed. BAe's strategy, set under Sir Roland and presented when the issue was announced, has not apparently changed. Indeed, it has been set in concrete. The interpretaion may well prove quite different as ambition takes a back seat. BAe's main businesses have scope to generate cash and much bigger profits than ever before after the rationalisation programme, which will eventually save costs oo a dramatic scale. If, and when they do, on the back of recovery in their main markets, BAe shares would look a bargain at today's depressed price. Whether BAe will remain a world leader at the end of this process is quite another question.

Trying harder

The high street banks may seem like monolithic dictators to the small businessman whose finances have been roughly handled, but they too have their weaknesses. Their vulnerability is their intense rivalry, which has forced them into costly mistakes in the past, hut now seems to be winning a better deal for all small husinesses. Norman Lamont exploited this rivalry last July when he asked banks to draw np individual codes of conduct to answer the barrage of criticism about their inadequate service to small businesses during the recession. By shrewdly calling for separate codes, instead of imposing a single one devised by the Treasury, Mr Lamont turned the small business debate into a competitive issue. Confidential documents from Barclays show how

hard it is working to better its neighbours.

The most notable feature of the bank's draft code, which will be launched next month, is its decision to send its 750,000 small business customers a breakdown of all the commission and interest charges ten days before the end of each quarter. This gives businessmen a week and a half to argue over any charges before, rather than after, they are debited. This makes Barclays' code rather more attractive than the one from Midland launched two weeks ago, although it falls short of demands from small business pressure groups for a service cootract between banks and businesses. The new service will cost Barclays' £3 million a year, although the bank is not planning to make any additional charge oo customers. The banks may be high-handed and insensitive to their customers as Sir Gordon Borrie, director general of the Office of Fair Trading, claimed last week, but they are certainly sensitive about the activities of their rivals.

British and US pessimists rush in as recession ends

Anatole Kaletsky argues that fears of a

"double dip"

recession on either

side of the Atlantic are without foundation

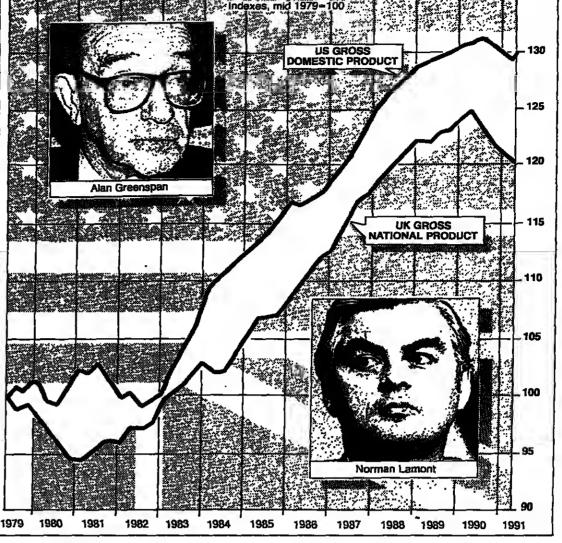
conomics is aprly called the dismal science. The reces-sioo of 1990-1, a misfortune confined exclusively to the Anglo-Saxon countries, is over. In America, the end of the recession was officially confirmed yesterday with the announcement of annualised growth of 2.4 per cent in thirdquarter gross national product. In Britain, too, output has almost certainly stopped falling, judging by yesterday's upbeat survey of busioess confidence from the Confederation of British Industry. But instead of celebrating the end of the last recession, economists oo both sides of the Atlantic are asking whether

the next one is about to begin.

In America, financial and husioess circles are rife with talk of a "donble dip", similar to the sudden fall in 1982 after a short-lived recovery from the Iranian oil crisis. President Bush's political advisers make no secret of their concern that a weak economy next year might undermine his re-election chances, despite opinion polls that put him further ahead than any president in modern times. Their anxieties appear justified.

In Britain, where the end of the recession has oot been officially confirmed (third-quarter figures are due on November 19), worries about next year seem even better founded, although less widely expressed. Britain and America share many of the same structural handicaps, including excessive debt burdens, low productivity growth, falling personal wealth and underinvestment in manufacturing. The British economy also faces more immediate problems - very high real interest rates, a challenging exchange rate and the prospect of weakening demand in Germany, its main export market. To make matters worse, there is the political uncertainty created by the general election and the threat to sterling from the looming confrontation between the Bundesbank's 2 per cent inflation target and the German unions' 12 per cent pay demands. Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, is unlikely to refer to any of these

worries when he delivers the Treasury's latest economic forecasts in next month's autumn statement. This does not mean that his probable prediction of economic growth in the 2 per cent range is unrealistic. When Mr Lamont predicts a recovery next year, rather than a renewed recession, he is likely to be proved right. The question that economists and politicians should be asking is whether the recovery will be strong enough to cut unemployment, stave off more bankruptcies and satisfy the electorate. Such questions are being asked in America today. Despite talk of



WHICH WAY FOR THE BIG DIPPER?

double-dip recessions, the real concern in Washington is about a recovery that is too shuggish to raise living standards, control unemployment and revive investment. The Democrats are oot banking oo an outright recession to defeat President Bush. They hope to embarrass him with another statistic. Even if the economy grows 3 per cent next year, they say, the average annual growth rate during the four years of the Bush administration will have been only 1.4 per cent, the lowest of any president since the second world war.

But fears of a double-dip recession on either side of the Atlantic are unfounded mainly because recessions rarely occur without encouragement from the government.

ace an economy starts growing, the natural dynamics of rising business and consumer confidence - leading to stock-building and consumption, more demand, higher incomes and more consumption tends to keep the economic engine ticking over, unless monetary or fiscal policy is abruptly tightened or the ecocomy runs into an inflationary crisis. In America's double-dip recession of 1982, this is precisely what happened, wheat inflation jumped to 13 per cent and the Fed raised sbort-term interest rates to 20 per cent. The critical role of confidence in the initial stages of

recovery is one reason why the Treasury is right to consider the findings of forward-looking surveys like the CBI's more significant than some of the backward-looking ecooomic statistics. It is also a reason why the British economy, in which business and consumer confidence have risen rapidly this year, may appear to be on firmer footing than that in America, where consumers remain depressed.

Fortunately for the Americans, their economic recovery has a more powerful force behind it than consumer psychology. Essentially, the American economy is going to recover because of extremely low interest rates and a highly competitive currency. American interest rates, at 5¼ per cent, are at their lowest level for 15 years and the dollar is near the all-time lows set six mooths ago. The fact that the American economy remains stuck in near-recession, despite this mooegloom among consumers and the structural weaknesses of American industry and finance. Consumer confidence remains low, because real wages and housing wealth have fallen steadily for the last three years. The banks are failing to pass oo the benefits of low interest rates to borrowers - the profit margio on a typical home mortgage in America has risen from 2 to 4 per cent or more as banks try to recover the

immense losses they suffered to the property and leveraged buyout crazes of the last decade, Meanwhile, the export boom that accounted for more than half the growth in the American economy since the abrupt devaluation of the dollar in late 1987 has run out of steam.

ut the ecocomy's weakness in the face of low interest rates does not mean that the Fed is "pushing on a string", in the Keynesian phrase, It simply means that the damage done to the economy during the Eighties may now justify much lower interest rates and a much more competitive currency than would have been imaginable ten years ago. If interest rates at 5 per cent do not revive the economy, Mr Greenspan will go oo cutting them until adequate growth is achieved. If manufacturers are struggling to maintain their export growth when the dollar is worth House and the Fed can simply try to devalue the dollar further. Given the choice of waiting for a

slow "natural" recovery such as that favoured by Mr Lamont and stimulating the economy with falling interest and exchange rates, there is little doubt which way American policymakers are likely to turn. By this time oext year the world will be able to judge which was the more successful approach.

Balancing skill of man and machine

PEOPLE get in the way of new technology, undermining invest-ments that would otherwise dramatically boost profits. A study funded by the Ecocomic and Social Research Council reveals that too many companies can run into difficulties because too few recognise that it is people who have to ultimately work the new machines.

When firms discuss whether to introduce new manufacturing systems, factors such as interest rates and the future of the economy hold sway over the likely impact oo the labour pool, the study has found. The result is that many firms find themselves scrambling to recruit skilled staff from outside, while resorting to unscheduled short-term solutions such as raising salaries and overtime payments for those staff able to work the new systems.

Paul Foley, ooe of the report's authors, said: "A greater emphasis on workforce issues at an early stage may well help to overcome the prob-lems of recruitment difficulties. skills shortages and increased training costs, which appear to be the unexpected by-product of introducing new manufacturing technologies." Rosy futures include a sharp rise

in output, productivity, product quality, and material cost savings for those firms adopting new technologies such as computer-aided design. The findings come from a survey of 52 large engineering firms in the Sheffield area by Dr Foley and Doug Watts, of the University of Sheffield.
Prelimioary findings are disclosed today at the launch of the council's New Technology and Firm Initiative in Loodon. Most studies of this kind have focused on the role of new high-technology industries in regenerating Britain. This study focuses on traditional manufacturing firms that are iotroducing new technology.

Just over half of the firms surveyed had introduced new technology in the past three years, with investment sums ranging from a few thousand pounds to £2.4 million, for an average of £275,000. Those adopting oew technologies enjoyed an average output growth of about 23 per cent, while growth among those that had not was 7 per cent. Nearly 70 per cent of firms adopting new technologies also reported in-creased productivity, 61 per cent saw improvements in product qual-ity, while 57 per cent made savings on the costs of materials.

Increases in employment averaging about 8 per cent were also reported among firms adopting oew technologies, whereas those who did not showed a 4.6 per cent decline. Firms investing in new manufac-turing systems also claimed they had become more mnovative, p more emphasis on research.

On the downside, a third of firms said use of oew technologies had made them dependent on a sole supplier. The main problem was sudden skills shortages, with more than a fifth of firms needing to recruit more skilled staff, and training costs rising at more than a third

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Cycling the way of de Broë

SOON after taking over as head of business development at Williams de Broe, Philip Darwall-Smith has poached one of Kleinwort Bensoo's senior investment managers. Robin Walker-Arnott, who led an investment team at KB - and latterly had £200 million under his control - has joined along with team-mate Neil Langley. Io so doing, he has been reunited with Charles Perry, another investment manager, who left KB two years ago. Darwall-Smith, who was given the task of winding up Stock Group after the demise of British & Commonwealth, may have had more than simply a new client list in mind. Walker-Amott is a keen cyclist, and his soperfit boss, as luck would have it, helps organise the anoual London to Brigh-

In Tusa's shoes

JOHN Tusa, award-wioning head of the BBC World Service, was back in front of the cameras last night to join io a debate oo Eastern Europe. The choice was appropriate since oot only was Tusa born in Czechoslovakia but his father, John, ran the British operations for Bata, the shoe company, for many years. Bata, which relocated to Canada in 1938, is now buying back into Czechoslovakia with a \$10 million deal, following a lead set by Volkswagen. I only wore Bata shoes for the first 20 years of my life," says Tusa, a former Newsnight presenter. As such, he has something in common with Peter

Ratzer, whose Czech father Cynic's Dictionary of Corhelped Tusa's father run the British plant. Ratzer is group secretary and director of corporate finance at Eurotunnel.

Dealing a blow

BRIAN Kaye, newly appointed head of Firnat, the Loodoo financial futures subsidiary of Societe Generale, has scored a direct hit on his rivals at Baok of America. He bas signed up Alex Wilkinson as head of Fimat's dealing team at the London International Financial Futures Exchange, and persuaded two colleagues, Jacquelioe Hewing and David Usher, to join him. This is in line with our strategy of becoming a major broker in the shortest possible time," says Kaye, who is just back from Tokyo where, until recently, he ran SocGen's Japanese operations.

Double speak INVESTMENT bankers in America are masters at the art of fobbing off useless queries. Now, some of their tricks have been committed to paper. A guide, Business Babble, A



porate Jargon, makes essential reading for anyone hoping to climb the corporate ladder. A boss's sympathetic "No one is suggesting you are to blame" really means "You are to blame", "I like your idea but we must proceed cautiously," means "You must be joking. Come back in five years". "Didn't we try this once before?" means "No!", and "Let's have lunch sometime"

> THE new manager of the Leeds building society branch in Hartlepool, Cleveland, is a Mr Lenderyou.

Charitable words

means "Get lost."

SIR Trevor Holdsworth, chairman of National Power, takes time off from his busy schedule next month to attend what is believed to be the first UK business seminar aid of charity. The Roof Garden club in Kensiogton, west Londoo, is the unlikely venue for discussion oo tax, recession and financial markets. The list of executives who had to decline invitations to speak at the event, on November 26, makes iotriguing reading: Sir Ian MacLaurin, of Tesco, Sir Derek Birkin, of RTZ, John Banham, of the Confederation of British Industry, Alan Sugar, of Amstrad, and — predictably — Sir John Har-vey-Jones. "We wrote to them all, but they were too husy," says Dave Shilingis, a director of Interfax Systems, the organiser, which is hoping to raise £60,000 for Children Nationwide, a charity which funds research into children's

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BUSINESSLETTERS Share price and herd instinct

From Mr A.H.B. Franklin any clients who took his Sir, It is clear, as shown by the recent rise in Ultramar, that battle which will follow a bid. I many share prices bear little admit that I see no immediate relationship to the real value. solotion to this unreal situa-Come a rumour of a takeover tion. The shrewd private in-

will prove the point. Why is the City always so (October 22) urges clients to ever decide to abandon their sell Forte. He may be right. herd instinct and look further Analysts are sometimes, cer-ahead than they do now, tainly oot invariably. But perhaps many quotations what price Forte shares if a would begin to represent more hostile bid is made in the oear closely their underlying value. future? Certainly higher, by Yours faithfully far, than the current quota-tion. Mr Slattery will be 58 Bath Road, forgotten — except perhaps by Chiswick, W4.

(whatever the opinions of vestor who assesses correctly analysts or previous lack of and sticks to his guns will be appeal to fund managers), the justified in reaping the profit price will begin to rise. Once a he deserves. Unless there is a bid is made the victim will change of heart by fund manprotest, no doobt quite cor-rectly, "Too little, too low, laughable etc", and the con-sequent rise in the share price "cloud cuckoo land" Stock protest, no doobt quite cor- agers who oow virtually con-Market will persist. If these powerful investors, short term? A Mr Paul Slattery already unloved by industry,

Demise of advisers is exaggerated

From Mr P. Tarrant-Willis news has not been good for insurance brokers and independent financial advisers bombarded by gloomy reports of our early demise from competitors.

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Retirement homes come of age

o the past 15 years, purpose-built private retirement housing has grown to meet the demand from older people looking for secure, troublefree accommodation. More than 35,000 retirement homes have been built, according to the New Homes Marketing Board, which provides a list of housebuilders offering retirement homes and

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sheltered housing.

The reputation the sector has earned for well-planned homes has occasionally been sullied by complaints about management and maintenance charge levels. So the National House-Building Council has devised a code of practice for sheltered housing

The code, mandatory for all housebuilders registered with the NHBC, aims to ensure that potential buyers gets detailed information about the procedures for management decisions and costs. A council official says: "It is important that would-be buyers and residents know precisely what they are buying, how much it will cost and how any charges are calculated and reviewed."

A further development in the market has been the formation of an association of professional retirement property managers. The Association of Retirement Housing Managers, which will start operations next week, is the result of two years' research by leading companies providing management for up to 100,000 residents of privately owned retireLeading companies have formed an association of professional retirement property managers, Christopher Warman reports

The association believes that retirement home buyers have become more discerning in their choice of a home for their retirement years and in the expectation

of the management and services from their professional managers. Accordingly, the association's aim will be to provide them with the high standard they expect, to promote quality and ethics in the industry and to investigate com-plaints against members.. The English Courtyard Associ-

ation, which has built 19 courtyard developments since 1976, is refining its cottage and flat designs to make them as accommodating as possible for people with physical disabilities. The company maintains the four basic principles

of Noel Shuttleworth, its founder. a courtyard plan, reflecting such raditionally protected environ-ments as college quadrangles and medieval almshouses; the loca-tion, with each scheme set in landscaped grounds within min-utes of a village or small town centre; the quality of design and workmanship, and the emphasis on care-free living.

Aware that many residents increasingly have trouble getting about, Mr Shuttleworth this year engaged as a consultant John Hick, a former cavalry officer paralysed from the waist down. After staying in new developments, he has been able to recommend improvements for incorporation in future designs.

Farm conversion: some of the Beechcroft homes developed from 18th-century buildings in Cerne Abbas

Beechcroft Developments, another firm at the top end of the market, included in its scheme at Alton, Hampshire, a swimmingpool, which is an unusual feature for retirement homes. Guy Mossop, of Beechcroft, says: "We are coovinced this is the right approach."

Beechcroft's latest scheme is in Cerne Abbas, Dorset. A group of nine 18th-century farm buildings is being converted and 15 cottages built in grounds that include meadows and a stream.

As with its other developments Woodstock, Oxfordshire, and

at Alton, the prices for two, three and foor-bedroom properties range from £100,000 to £225,000. The Carltons, the latest scheme

of the Secure Group of Bristol, is in the heart of Wells, Somerset, near the mosted Bishop's Palace. The development includes Carltoo Court, 32 retirement apartments, partly in a new block and partly in a stone-built former textile factory. The two-bedroom apartments cost between £89,950 and £135,000. Hays Park, io Shaftesbury, Dorset, has 16 retirement apartments

in the grounds of the 18th-century Hays House, now a nursing home. Ronald Clarkson, of Park Healthcare, aims to provide spacious accommodation, with drawing rooms of up to 370 sq ft, and fitted cupboards and box rooms in each apartment. He has sold eight of the apartments in the past four mooths. Prices range from £92,500 for one bedroom to £139,000 for two bedrooms, on 125-year leases, or from £74,000 to £112,000 on refundable life-occupancy leases.

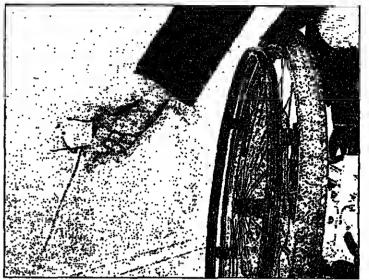
Hunting Gate Homes finds that nany retired people now prefer flats and bungalows that allow them to trade down. Hunting Gate has completed one development at Brixham, Cornwall, with a resident warden. Wren Court combines independence with the relief of oot having to run a house and garden. Near the centre of the town, the one and two-bedroom apartments cost from £47,550 to £69,595, or from £40,000 under a

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These sites are in the enterprise ne, which gives the corporation the opportunity to remind developers, investors and occupiers that 100 per cent capital allowances can be claimed by those who have entered ioto agreements oo the sites by April 25 1992.

They range from a 4.2-acre site io East Iodia Dock to the 4,000 sq Grade II listed Dockmaster's House in a conservation area. They are suitable for all types of commercial development, leisure, retail, office or, in certain cases, residential, and the corporation points out that developers or funders of these remaioing sites will beoefit from the existing

service infrastructure.
They will have the added advantage of road and rail schemes due to be completed by 1993, and of the Londoo Underground Jubilee line extension, which will be under construction by then.

The enterprise zone occupies

470 acres, including water. So far nearly seven million so ft of commercial floor space have been completed, and another 13 millioo so fi are under construction.

Savills' commercial research department says take-up in the first nine mooths of this year in Docklands totalled 250,000 sq ft, 80 per cent less than in the

Tax incentives, low rents and quality units are being offered by the London Docklands

enterprise zone, Christopher Warman reports

The largest occupational deal in 1991 has been Pear Marwick's take-up of 83,000 sq ft in Olympia & York's Canary Wharf Tower.

Savills accepts that recent publications are supported by the support of the state of

licity about the Docklands office market has concentrated oo the low asking reuts. At South Quay 3, 210,000 sq ft of high-specification office space are oo offer through the company at £10 a sq ft.
Altogether, 4.4 million sq ft are
available in the area.
David Clews, of Savills, argues

that Docklands cannot be viewed in isolation, and that the present state of the City and West End markets is inextricably linked to the fortunes of Docklands as an office location. About 29 million sq ft are

estimated to be available in central London and take-up is at an annual rate of about five millioo sq ft, so there is a considerable ver-supply.
Mr Clews suggests: "This, linked

with the present state of the economy, and the well publicised infrastructure problems, does not seem to bode well for the area. The levels of inducements on offer to poteotial tenants may oot prove attractive enough when these fac-tors are considered and compared against the increasing inducements and facilities availDocklands, which tenants iocreas-ingly realise is oow an opportunity nnt likely to remain."
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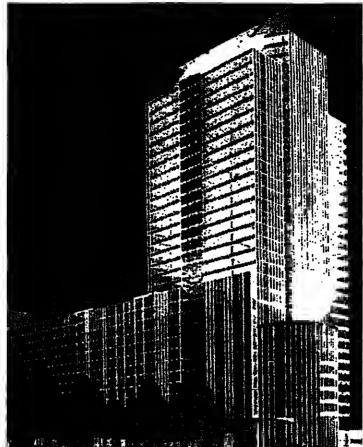
just won the corporation's ap-proval for its 1.5 million sq ft gateway building into Docklands at Heron Quays, completing the master plan for the Isle of Dogs heart of Docklands. The design for offices, shops,

restaurants and public amenities includes a ceotral water park, public areas and a museum of Docklands. Chris Collins, a Tar-"We believe it is likely that potential tenants for the area may mac Brookglade director, says the company has piooeered offices in Docklands as well as being the first who have been attracted to the area by the well publicised low level of rents," Mr Clews says. to promote comprehensive development and building involving

The oew building is intended to provide oothing less than a "green, healthy and energy-conscious en-vironment to benefit users and the Docklands environment".

In a recent deal, Computer People Group has bought Victory House at Cityharbour from the Brunel Centre, a consortium of British Land, the Summit Group and MBO. The group has bought the property for its own occupa-tion, and will have the benefit of 100 per cent enterprise zone capital allowances.

The deal, at £3.43 million for 12,500 sq ft, shows the advantage of owner-occupation. The cost of repaying the initial loan to buy is equal to half the outgoings of the group's previous rent in central



A drawing of Tarmac Brookglade's proposal for Heron Quays

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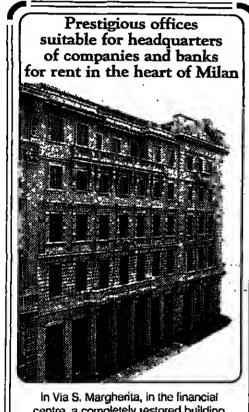
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☐ Grade I listed houses in Bedford Square, Bloomsbury, London, were refurbished by the Bedford Estates this year to provide offices ranging from 3,600 sq ft to 15,200 sq ft, but the stagnant market has shown that even the best properties are not easily let.

In May they were offered at up to £45 a sq ft. Now Healey & Baker and Chesterton, the joint agents, have reduced the quoting rent to £27.50 in an attempt to translate interest Into deals. Pater Robinson, the steward of the estates, hopes that the buildings "will prova very attractive to tenants seeking high-quality office

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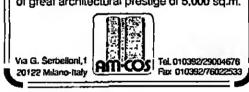
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Before Sir Donald Nicholls,
Vice-Chancellor

Judgment October 25]

The Church Commissioners administered vast estates and large funds but the oceds which they had to satisfy were daunting.

investing the funds of which they were trustees, could take into account con-financial ethical considerations only io so far as they could do so without jeopardising the profitability of investments. Sir Donald Nicholls, Vice-

Chancellor, so beld in a reserved judgmeot in the Chancery Divisioo refusing to make any declaration sought in the originating summons issued by the Rt Rev Richard Douglas Harries, Lord Bishop of Oxford, the Ven Michael Bourke, Archdeacon of Bedford and the Rev William Whiffen. The defen-dants were the Church Commissioners and the Attorney-

Mr Timothy Lloyd, QC and Mr Launcelot Henderson for the plaintiffs; Mr Robert Walker, QC and Mr Christopher Nugge for the commissioners; Mr

Trustees' duty to invest profitably Harries and Others v Church
Commissioners for Englanmad
David Uowin for the Attorneygeneral.

were daunting.
The Church Commissioners.

a charity, were effectively the trustees of the fund and responsible for its iovestment policy. The Bishop of Oxford, himself a Church Commissioner, sought certain declarations in relation to the investment policy.

to the investment policy.

The good faith or the investment expertise of the commissioners was not questioned. But the plaintiffs contended that the commissioners fell into legal commissioners fell into legal error by attaching over-riding importance to financial consid-erations and that they ought properly to have in mind that the uoderlying purpose for which they held their assers was the promotion of the Christian faith through the Christian faith through the Church of

England.
They should accordingly out exercise their investment functioo in a manner which would be incompatible with that purpose even if it involved a risk of incurring significant financial detriment. They should give weight to ethical considerations, the plaintiffs said.

His Lordship said that charity trustees, in common with all other trustees, were concerned to further the purposes of the trust. To enable them the better to discharge that duty trustees had powers vested in them, among others powers of

Where trustees held property as an investment to generate money, prima facie the purposes money, prima facie the purposes of the trust would be best served by the trustees seeking to obtain therefrom the maximum return, whether by way of income or capital growth, which was consistent with commercial prudence.

The commi ment policy was set out in their annual report for 1989 and included the statement: "We do not invest in companies whose main business is armaments. gambling, alcohol, tobacco and

His Lordship found that the commissioners already had an

Unpaid community charge housing policy challenged Regina v Forest Heath Dis-

trict Council, Ex parte West Before Lord Donaldson of Lymington, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Russell and Lord Justice Leggatt [Judgment October 8]

Where a local authority adopted a housing policy that save in extenuating circumstances ten-ancies would out be offered to persons io debt to the authority, including io respect of non-payment of the community charge, and refused accommodation accordingly leave ioo accordingly, leave would be granted to apply for judicial review oo the ground that the decisioo was an abuse of

The Court of Appeal so stated io granting a renewed applica-tioo for leave to apply for judicial review, made by David West and Mary Lucas, of Forest Heath District Council's refusal to give them a council tenancy until they had paid their debt to the council in respect of the community charge.

Mr David Watkinsoo for the applicants, Mr Richard Rundell for the council.

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the applicants had strong grounds for submittiog that there was an arguable case that the authority's policy was an abuse of power and unreasonable: see Associated Provincial Picture Houses Ltd v Wednesbury Corporation ([1948] 1 KB 223).

The Local Government Act 1988, they submitted, contained claborate and draconian powers enabling authorities to collect the community charge but did oot entitle them to discriminate against those not paying their community charge when it came to performing their functions as

a housing authority.

In collecting the community charge it was the duty of the anthority to deal even handedly with all those liable to pay the charge and not to deal dif-ferently with those who hap-pened to be in oeed of housing

In granting leave and remit-ting the matter to the High Court, his Lordship added that if on reflection the authority considered that the applicants would or were highly likely to succeed, it might be thought more appropriate to rehouse them rather than to mour all the eosts iovolved io the

Lord Justice Russell and Lord Justice Leggatt agreed. Solicitors: Miller & Co, Cambridge; Mr David W. Burnip, Mildenhall.

Justifying costs appeal

Reg Smith & Sons (Cheadle)

In order to justify an appeal on costs alone the Court of Appeal must be able to say that the judge had oot exercised his discretion or had not exercised

that discretion judicially.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Stocker and Lord Justice Woolf) so held on October 14 when dismissing the appeal of Reg Smith & Sons (Cheadle) Ltd from the order of Judge Ward in Dudley County Court on January 22, 1991 who gave judgment oo their counterclaim, for dam-ages incurred to their customers cars and to loss of good trade petrol, against the claim by UK the absence of leave to appeal.

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price of petrol supplied but who ordered that there would be oo costs on the counterclaim and refused them leave to appeal.

LORD JUSTICE WOOLF

said that the appeal related only to a question of costs which were by law left to the county court indicial discretion. Where no leave to appeal against such an order had been given by the judge there was no right of appeal under section 18(1)(f) of the Supreme Court Act 1981, save for the limited ACT 1981, Save for the minimum circumstances considered in Scherer v Counting Instruments Ltd [11986] 1 WLR 615) in which the Court of Appeal could exercise its limited discretion to hear an appeal notwithstanding

ethical investment policy and Price Waterhouse V BCCI could see nothing in it inconsis-Holdings (Luxemboure) SA tent with the promotion of the Caristian faith. They had felt able to excluded those items from their investments despite the conflicting views of the morality of holding those items as investments because there had remained open an adequat width of alternative

investments.
The approach of the commissioners was not legally incorrect. On the contrary, the approach the plaiotiffs wished the eommissioners to adopt, namely, investment decisions which entailed taking into ac-count non-financial consid-erations when that might put investment profits in jeopardy, would involve a departure by the commissioners from their

legal obligations.

Whether such a departure would or would not be desirable was, or course, not an issue in the proceedings. That was a matter to be pursued, if at all, elegables then in court. elsewhere than in court. Solicitors: Bates Wells & Braithwaite; Clifford Chance;

Making out race bias case King v Great Britain China

Treasury Solicitor.

It was for the complainant of racial discrimination to make out her case before an industrial tribunal who, where there was no direct evidence of discrimination, was then en-titled to look to the employer for an explanation as to why the complainant had not been selected for interview. If unsatisfied with that explanation by the employer the tribunal was entitled to say so and then to draw an inference that the discrimination was upon racial

That process of reasoning did not involve a reversal of the burden of proof but was merely a proper balancing of the factors which could be placed in the scales for and against a finding of unlawful discrimination.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice Nourse and Sir John Megaw) so held in a reserved judgment on October 11 when allowing the appeal of Karen Lily King against the order of the Employment Appeal Tribonal (Mr Jus-tice Wood, Mr K. Graham and Mrs M. E. Sunderland) on February 5, 1990 allowing an appeal by the Great Britain China Centre from the decision of a London industrial tribunal on August 25, 1988 that Miss King had been discriminated against by the centre on the ground of her race in her application for the post of deputy director.

Disclosing confidential material

Holdings (Luxembourg) SA and Others Before Mr Justice Millett [Judgment October 21]

If it was in the public interest to require confidential informa-tion to be disclosed to the Bank of England in the performance of its supervisory functions under section 1 of the Banking Act 1987, there was at least as great a public interest in disclo-sure of material to the enquiry set up at the end of July 1991 under the chairmanship of Lord Justice Bingham at the request of the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Governor of the

chequer and the Governor of the Bank of England.

Mr Justice Millett so held in the Chancery Division in proceedings brought by Price Waterbouse against BCCI Holdings (Luxembourg) SA and other associated baoking Mr David Oliver, QC and Mr

Paul Girolami for Price Waterhouse; Mr Richard M. Sheldoo and Ms Susan Prevezer for BCCI and others; Mr William Charles and Mr Philip Havers for the Treasury and the Bank of England. MR JUSTICE MILLETT

said that the enquiry had oo stantory power to enforce the attendance of witnesses or to compel the production of documents. Its proceedings were in

private.
Price Waterbouse had been gether with copies of supporting documents. It was anxious to comply with that request and considered that it had a public duty to cooperate, but most of its possession was confidential to BCCI, some was covered by legal professional privilege and much of it by banking confidentiality owed by BCCI to its customers, a duty to which Price Waterhouse was likewise

tion was derived from its role in giving financial advice to the cootrolling shareholders of BCCI and was confidential to them. BCCI wished to see in advance any evidence which Price Waterhouse intended to present, with a view to giving or withholding its consent. That process would go far towards vitating the confidentiality of the enquiry, and the speed and effectiveness of its procedures.

Whereas legal professional privilege was normally an answer to compulsory disclosure, confidentiality only afforded protection against voluntary disclosure without the consent of the persoo to whom the duty of confidentiality was owed. Had the enquiry been set up under the Tribunals of Enquiry and Evidence Act 1921 it could have compelled disclosure of confidential information, but not of material covered by legal professional privilege.

The enquiry being con-statu-tory had to rely solely on the voluntary cooperation of wit-nesses. The public interest in maintaining confidentiality.

maintaining coofideotiality might be outweighed by some countervaling public interest in disclosure, and the latter was oot limited to the public interest in detecting or preventing wrongdoing see Attorney-gen-eral v Guardian Newspapers (No 2) ([1990] 1 AC 109, 214, 268, 282).

After further consideration of

the two cooflicting public interests, his Lordship said that he the competing interests to be easy. Io all the cases cited in which the public interest in favour of disclosure had pre-vailed it had been either for the detection or prevention of wrongdoing the prevention of a miscarriage of justice or the maintenance of public safety.

If those who set up the enquiry had thought that the public interest required all rele-

vant material to be made available, they could have set it up under the 1921 Act. No doubt doing so.

Where the information was confidential, the choice whether to volunteer it ought prima facie to rest with the person to whom the duty of confidentiality was owed, rather than with

terest io disclosure ought to prevail, because there was an important public interest in the effective regulation and supervision of authorised banking institutions and the protection of denotion

of depositors.
In section 39 of the Banking
Act 1987, Parliament had chosen to accord greater weight to that public interest than to the maintenance of the duty of confidentiality, including banking confidentiality and even legal professional privilege. If it was to the public interest

to require confidential informa-tion to be disclosed to the Bank of England to enable it to carry out its supervisory functions, there was at least as great a public interest in the disclosure of such information to an enquiry set up to review the Bank's past performance of its statutory functions, provided that dissemination of such information was no wider in the latter case than would be anthorised in the former case.

That was given statutory recognition in section 83 of the 1987 Act. The distinction between documents obtained by the Bank io performing its functions and those which it ought to have obtained but had failed to ohtaio was

The subject matter of the enquiry was at a level at once Lovell White Durrant; Treasury

banking transactions that was involved in routine supervision and it was less likely that details of particular accounts would require to be ideoufied, and the occasioos when hanking coofidentiality was iovaded were likely to be fewer and less

Chancery Division

The enquiry had undertaken to respect confidentiality where it could properly do so. The extent to which coofidentiality would be iovaded would depend upon the judgmeon of respoo-sible persons at several different

In all the cases cited to which disclosure had been resisted, albeit unsuccessfully, the disclosure has been not merely against the wishes of the person to whom the duty was owed, but had been contrary to his interesis, often seriously so.
That had not been demonstrated to the court io the

present case.
His Lordship would therefore grant a declaration in favour of Price Waterhouse but limited to the material relevant to the enquiry's terms of reference, and Price Waterhouse should be required to maintain the confidentiality of underlying banking transactions except to the extent that disclosure was specifically requested by the

The court had oo power to

seek to implement a suspended

sentence and then suspending

part of the cumulative sentence thus arrived at. R r Gow ((1983)

Cr App R (S) 250) made it elean

that to adopt such a device was impermissible and unlawful,

Activated suspended sentence cannot be partially suspended

Regina v Worsley Before Lord Justice Stuart Smith, Mr Justice Waterhouse and Mr Justice Morland [Judgment October 15]

A judge had no power under section 23 of the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973 to activate a suspended sentence consecutively with another sentence of imprisonment and then partially to suspend the total sentence

The Court of Appeal so held when quashing a sentence imposed by Judge Newman at Canterbury Crown Court oo Leonard Worsley of six months imprisonment for driving while disqualified, with six mooths of an 18-mooth suspended sentence activated consecutively, making a total of 12 mooths, of which 28 days was to be served and the rest suspended. Both six-mooth seotences were quashed and concurrent sentences of 28 days were substituted.

Mr Guy Opperman, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant, Mr Nigel van der Bijl for the

MR JUSTICE WATER- whether no order should be HOUSE, giving the judgment of the court, said that section 23 of the Powers of Criminal Courts
Act 1973 set out the full ambit of sentence by adding it to another the court's powers in respect of an offender in breach of a suspended sentence.

The court had to decide

whether the suspended sentence should take effect, either un-

Dismissal award Parker Foundry Ltd v Slack

In considering under section 76(4) of the Employment Protectioo (Consolidation) Act .1978 whether a compensatioo award for a finding of unfair dismissal should be reduced, the tribunal was required only to consider whether that dismissal was caused or contributed to by the action of the complainant and lo make a reduction that just and equitable to that finding.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Glidewell, Lord Justice Balcombe and Lord Justice Woolf) so held on October 22:

when dismissing the appeal of David Norman Slack against the decision of the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice Wood, Mrs M. L. Boyle and Mrs M. E. Sunderland) on July 13. 1989 to dismiss his cross-appeal from the decision of a Leicester industrial tribunal on November 28, 1986 which found that he had been uofairly dismissed from his employment with Parker Foundry Ltd but that he had contributed to his dismissal by an aggressive attack upon a co-employee and that accordingly his compensation award would be reduced by 50 per cent.

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RACING

Casteddu

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hope to small trainers nation-wide when Casteddu won the £163,000 Racceall Gold Trophy

at Redear yesterday.

Casteddu, yet another bigrace success for Alan Munro,
came with a wer sail inside the
final furlong to bear Prince
Ferdinand by one-and-a-half
lengths, with Goffs Million win-

rengins, with Coirs retinion with ner Fair Crack another three-quarters of a length away third. "I'm absolutely delighted," Payne said. "Casteddu has been

aimed at this race since Royal Ascot where he was third to

Dilum in the Covenirs. He's won so nicely over seven tur-

longs, and shown speed over sta.
that he'll probably go for the
2,000 Guineas. I was a bit
worried about the draw, as Fair

Crack and Prioce Ferdinand were over the other side."

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Brent Walker had agreed to

Injured riders on the mend

GEORGE Duffield and Andrew Tucker, injured in a pile-up in fog at Bath oo Monday, are both making good recoveries and should soon be back in the

Club's medical officer, visited the jockeys in Bath's Royal United Hospital yesterday and said: "Despite their injuries they were comfortable and making a satisfactory recovery. They should be oble to resume race-

ridiog soon."

Duffield sustained "higher back injuries" while Tueker has a brokeo collar-bone and con-cussion. Colin Munday, also involved in the accident, was allowed home from hospital on Monday night.

Critical levy talks today

meeting going on late into the day.
The Levy Board has until tomorrow to reach an agreement on the scheme if it is to

National lottery could provide answer

swimming pools for one full having implications for sport. day each week and sub- While many of these could sequently close one of its pools provide benefits - for examcompletely; when it cannot ples, the introduction of a afford to bring into use new playing pitches; when charges ical education — there are for sports facilities suffer others which fill me with excessive increases each half- concern, not least the con-"sport for all" must be in

But that is exactly what is happening in Basildon, Essex witnessing an incremental dis-- and the problem is oot just mantling of its recreation confined to this authority.

As a member of the Sports Eastern Council for Sport and authority members and offi- year to avoid capping.

Prost, the three-time Formula

One world champion, has had

his contract terminated by

In a brief statement yes-

decided to "discontinue its co-

operation" with Prost, whose place at Adelaide would be

taken by the young Italian driver, Gianni Morbidelli,

who has been with the

had taken the decision itself.

Prost, aged 36, has driven for Ferrari for the last two

years. His contract was due to

expire in 1992, but yesterday's

announcement came as no

Relations between Ferrari

and the Frenchman had

soured this season. He has not

won a race since the Spanish

grand prix 13 months ago, and .

French team, Ligier, possibly

There had also been ru-

mours that he might join the

British driver, Nigel Mansell, his former Ferrari colleague,

at Williams-Renault next year

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

DeBerg

never

says die

THE Kansas City Chiefs railied

from an 11-point deficit in the fourth quarter oo Monday and

beat the Los Angeles Raiders 24-21 wheo Tun Barnett caught a

21 wheo Tun Barnett caught a six-yard scoring pass from Sieve DeBerg with 47 seconds to play.
Kansas City had trailed 21-10, but Christian Okoye scored on a oce-yard ruo before DeBerg's wiooing throw. Oo the first play of the game, Deberg completed the 2,500th pass of his 15-year referenced correct.

The Washington Redskins are

the only unbeated team in the National Football League (NFL)

after their 17-13 victory over the New York Giants on Sunday.

The Redskins earned their cighth win as the previously undefeated New Orleans Saints fell 20-17 to the Chicago Bears.

Washingtoo trailed 13-0 at half-time but Mark Rypien threw touchdown passes of seven and 54 yards to Gary

Clark in a three-minute stretch to halt a six-game losing streak against the Giants. Jun Harbaugh, unimpressive

for 58 minutes against the Saiots, convinced the Chicago

coach, Mike Ditka, not to bench

him. He moved the Bears 52 yards in four plays and found Tim Waddle with a 12-yard toss

54 seconds from time. Morten

Aodersen, of New Orleans, kicked a 60-yard field goal that

equalled the second longest in NFL history. Warren Mooo fired three

first-half scoring passes, includ-ing a 61-yarder to Drew Hill, as

the Houston Oilers beat the Cincinnati Bengals 35-3, lifting

their record to seven wins and

one defeat. The Beneals, 0-8.

equalled the poorest start in club

history. Moon, who plays in Washington against the Red-skins in the biggest game on

Sunday, completed 24 of 37

passes for 289 yards.
David Treadwell, of the Den-

ver Broncos, kicked three field

goals to beat the New England

Patriots 9-6. The San Francisco 49ers machandled the Philadel-

phia Eagles 23-7 with six sacks,

three fumble recoveries and an interception. Erik Kramer, 2

reserve who had speot two years

in the Canadian League, com-pleted his first two NFL touch-

down passes as the Detroit Lious

beat the Dallas Cowboys 34-10.

PEXTURES: Week terr Sunday: Atlants at Sen Francisco; Cleveland at Cinconneti; Debrot at Chicago: Green Bay at NY Jets; Houston at Washington; Miemi at Indianop-ole; New England at Buttelo; New Orleans at LA Rams; Pricetin, at Delks; Tampe Bay at Minnecotts: Pristburgh at Danwer. Monday: NY Giants at Philadelphia.

in a managerial role.

real surprise.

in Australia.

final grand prix of the season behind his lack of success.

terday, Ferrari said that it had Ferrari last season after win-

Ferrari did not say if the the German grand prix in July

breaking of Prost's contract that he was prepared to quit

was by mutual consent or if it Ferrari before his contract

McLaren.

hen a local authority increasingly evident that the many changes in government sports centres and legislation of recent years are national curriculum for physical education - there are then the delivery of sequences of recent legislation which seeks to restrict local authority expenditure.

Cambridge city council is department which, for many As a member of the Sports years, has sought to provide Council and chairman of the for all sections of the community. The council claims that Recreation, I spend much of savings in excess of £600,000 my time meeting key local are having to be made this

One third of the 48 district recreation. It is becoming are saying that they will be

Ferrari, five days before the the design of the Ferrari was nine days ago, when Ayrton final grand prix of the season behind his lack of success. Senna secured the world

ning the 1989 title with

He had previously been world champion in 1985 and 1986, but his lack of success

this season fuelled press criti-

cism in Italy, and he said after

Prost: contract ended

THE opening fixtures of the

With the world team championship in Helsinki a mooth

away, and the England selectors

committed to using form as a

guideline, Simoo Parke, aged 19, the No. 1 and world junior

champion, could ill-afford an

uncoovincing performance io

his first appearance for London and Provincial Lambs against

Parke, who transferred to

vals. Vasari Canoons, after fail-ing to agree terms with the club

that brought him out of the Yorkshire League, dropped a

scintillating return to the inter-

national fold against Papua New

Guinea at Swansea oo Sunday. il seems they will be allocated a

spring and considered for inclu-

the players themselves didn't

want this game to be a flash in

the pan, so a match against

France io the spring is looking likely," David Howes, the Rugby Football League (RFL)

The Welsh coach, Clive Grif-

fiths, wants to build up slowly. but a game against Eogland could follow. We have a fallow

year on the international froot for Great Britain next seasoo so

it could fit nicely into the fixture

11,422 turned out on a Sunday

The fact that a crowd of his talented team-mates.

list," Howes said.

"We doo't like one-offs, and

sioo in the 1995 World Cup.

ards in Surbiton.

Pimm's Premier League season Rodney Martin, did little to carried a significance well be-

yood the lead established by 40 ker tost 9-6, 2-9, 5-9, 3-9 in 76 wins for Mosaie Priory in Birmingham, and Leekes Wizmatch, Del Harris and Tony

Yorkshire League, dropped a vital point against Mark Cairns.
While Peter Marshall was comprehensively defeatiog Danny Meddings at second string for Leekes Wizards, and Jason Nicolle was dismissing Robert Graham at second string for Mosaic Priory, Parke lost 9-2, 7-9, 8-10, 5-9 in 91 minutes of the priory of t

2, 7-9, 8-10, 5-9 in 91 minutes
against the dogged Cairus,
ranked 15 places lower oo the
England list.
Gallant failure against Jahangir Khan by Chris Walker,
promoted to first string for
North Walsham to the absence

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member of the Sports Council,

spending limit, above which authorities were previously savings. subject to capping. The effect of this on sport and recreation, a discretionary service, could be disastrous if the Basildon and Cambridge situations are repeated elsewhere.

It is important, therefore, that government provides the necessary increases in local has been forced to cancel a assessments when they are set

Prost lies fifth in the champ-ionship, and had hinted that Japanese grand prix at Suzuka British duo of Patrese and

race that his Ferrari was so

was "like a truck".

immediately.

slow and difficult to drive it

Three days before yes-

had said: "It's a dangerous

game. There's still a contract.

There are lawyers involved.

team can take measures

Asked what he would do if

Ferrari dismissed him, Prost

baven't got anything planned

Prost has won the Adelaide

race twice - in 1986 and 1988

- since it became part of the

their contracts for 1992.
The authoritative Milan

SQUASH RACKETS

Parke's England prospects

falter with crucial defeat

By COLIN MCQUILLAN of the injured world champion,

Hands, two more England hopefuls, contributed victories

in a 3-1 win for Cannons over

Adidas Northern, Bryan Beesoo

and Paul Gregory were the other winners for Lambs.

Carter was an interesting selection for the Cardiff side. Transferred from Cannons be-

lower on the Squash Rackets

Association merit order than

Philip Whitlock, another new

facing the Welsh in inter-

night, only hours after the Rugby World Cup semi-final

between Australia and New

Zealand had finished, will no

doubt have alerted the RFL 10

the commercial possibilities of a

the ability to put oo a good show

and the crowd reaction to them was fantastic," Howes said.

Welsh rugby union side may have contributed to the cu-

phoria of the victory, but the

Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) hierarchy at Cardiff Arms Park

must be wary of any advance-ment by Jonathan Davies and

They put on a fine display of backyard.

The fall from grace of the

national rugby league

circuit six years ago.

team had also been angered by Honda, while Williams-Re-

Prost told reporters after the Jean Alesi in 1992. Capelli,

terday's announcement, Prost later yesterday that it had

and if I open my mouth the Martini will drive Minardi's

said: "Believe it or not, I released from a British prison,

good substitute for Prost next months of an 18-month sen-

year as the best drivers have tence after he was found guilty

already signed or extended of assaulting a London taxi

daily, Corriere della Sera, said taken by Alessandro Zanardi,

It is thought in Italian Japanese grand prix. racing circles that Ferrari may Formerly with the

Senna and Gerhard Berger of Italy. (Agenices)

another team.

second car.

yesterday.

confronted with similar prob- next month. In return, it is to lems now that government has be hoped that local authorities withdrawn the £15 million do not look to sport as the soft option for any necessary

On the capital side,

revenue to assist capital funding. But, in practice, which local authorities would want to increase their poll tax, even if it did not take them into an "overspend" situation where "capping" would be applied? It is to be hoped that capital allocations set later this

the opportunity to maintain and improve their sports Education reform has created the environment for new partnerships and new mitiatives. There are often good, but basic, school facilities which lack the ancillary

year will give local authorities

accommodation appropriate for community use. In some instances, traditional wariness about and barriers to wider community use of school facilities still prevail and hinder

exciting projects are already emerging. The village colleges in south Cambridgeshire offer achieved. Modest capital contributions from district and county councils and the Sports Council have eoabled Cotenham to create a community sports centre and floodlit multi-games area with changing accommodation, recep-

tion and social areas. At Linton, the head of physical education spends only 50 per cent of her time teaching - the balance (and promotion and development of community sport, both on

This, theo, may be one way ahead - but it should not be seen as a substitute for suf-

Nevertheless, I perceive a ficient funding. A commitmood of optimism and some ment to long-term funding is critical if we are to achieve our 'sport for all" goals. Perhaps the introduction of a national good examples of what can be lottery will be the answer to I admit that I was lucky and

was provided with every opportunity to express my sporting skills. I am in the minority. There are, I know, many people who would enjoy all the benefits of sport if only they had the opportunities to participate and to realise their full potential. Certainly, some progress can be made without massive capital expenditure, more!) is devoted to the but we do need a basic stock of good facilities. We owe it to future generations. The value site and in the surrounding of sport in improving the quality of life cannot be underestimated, and it must be recognised by all in a position to take positive action.

> Eurore Landi, the winning owner, said: "I owned Cast-eddu's sire, Efisio, whu was unbeaten as a two-year-old and won the Horris Hill Stakes at Newbury. His best trip was seven furlongs to a mile, and I think Casteddu will stay further oext season.

Payne, who has ten horses in his Newmarket yord, was sad-dling his twelfth winoer of the

Richard Hannon, trainer of Fair Crack, Coffee Ice ond Strong Suit, said: "Fair Crack ran very well. I hope he will make up into a Guineas horse oext year."

Lord Zetland, the Redear chairman, whose idea it was to lauoch the Racecall Gold Trophy io 1989, said: "This is a dream come true. We launehed this race two years ago with the fantastic that it worked out that way today."

Loki takes Lewis to jackpot

GEOFF Lewis, the Epsom trainer, landed a £104.000 jack-pot when Loki, his only runner at the meeting, won the last race

at Redcar yeslerday. Lewis backed himself to send out 40 wiocers this season io separate bets with bookmakers Victor Chandler and William Hill, at odds ranging from 33-1

Loki took the stable to the magic figure with a two-length victory Over Nakora Bistraya in

the Provideo Handicao. The cotire staff at Lewis's Thirty Acre Barn yard will join in the celebrations as the trainer

handsome share if the bet was Paul Eddery, who partnered the winner, earlier initiated a touble when driving Shake Town home by a neck from Armait in the valuable West-

minster-Motor Taxi Insurance Shake Town, owned and trained by Guy Harwood at Pulborough, now goes to the

Brent Walker pulls out of

Ascot festival

sponsor the valuable one-day festival. However, a joint statemeot issued yesterday said: "By mutual consent the Breot Walker sponsorship at Ascot has been terminated.

This joint decision reflects the commitment of Lord Kindersley to coocentrate all the resources of Breot Walker oo the reconstruction plan and enables the Ascol Authority 10 seek a new long-term overall sponsor to coolioue to build Britaio's major international

put £400,000 a year into the festival and had 12 months of

THE Horserace Betting Levy Board is holding critical talks in London today on the structure London today on the structure of the 31st Levy Scheme.

The meetings with members of the Bookmakers' Committee was held over from Monday as a result of the bookmakers' own meeting point on late into the

ovoid referring the matter to the Home Secretary.

Trevor Brooking, the former England footballer and a

voices concern over legislation seeking to restrict local

authority expenditure on sport

Italians part company with former Formula One champion

Prost's feud with Ferrari

finally at breaking point

in a swap with Riccardo ended Officials of the Italian

Prost, who has won a record championship for the second

44 grands prix, moved to year running for McLaren.

Huntingdonshire district council has had to defer provision of a new swimming pool; major refurbishment work at the regional sports centre in Luton has been

The newspaper also sug-

gested that Ivan Capelli, the

Italian, may team up with

aged 28, recently left Leyton

House and is free to join

Minardi said in a statement

replaced Morbidelli with the

Brazilian driver, Roberto Mo-

reno, at Adelaide. Pier-Luigi

☐ Bertrand Gachot will drive

for the Larousse team on

Sunday, two weeks after being

team officials announced

Gachot, 28, from Belgium,

was named to replace Eric

Bernard, the French driver

who broke a leg during the

Formerly with the Jordan

His place at Jordan was

signing, from the Manchester Northern squad.

behind Chris Robertson and Marshall, bowever, would have

necessitated the absence of the team captain, Adrian Davies,

who comfortably defeated Danny Lee this week but could

encounters against the likes of Gregory, Cairns, or his former

team colleague, Mark Maclean
The Scottish No. I was signed from Leekes this season by

Cannons to reinforce a lower order diminished by the depar-

tures of Parke and Carter. Maclean's value to the defend-

ing champions was illustrated by his absence through injuries sustained in the Canadian Open last week. The team captain,

Neil Harvey, brought in as fourth string reserve, could manage to secure only the opening game against the relatively unknown Derek Ryan.

The depth of talent which carried Cannons through many

successful seasons appeared to stop at Harvey this year, which

attention to the lower order.

And the all-round skills of the

Robert Cole on the dilemma running rugby that cannot be matched by their union players.

To have played both new men

rural areas.

Head above water: Flood wants to build on new awareness of disability in sport

Optimist sees way forward

participant in the recent

Chollenge Anneko pro-

gramme when an advertise-ment was made for the British

The programme put across what we are doing in a really

positive way and I thought, Thank God, at last someone

TARA Flood is one of a new breed of young athletes hoping to make her mark not only as an international swimmer, but the administration of sport for people with disabilities. The Preston woman, who now lives and works in London, believes that radical improvements are occessary to allow disabled athletes to take more

Flood, aged 25, is acutely aware of the discrimination that taints all aspects of life when someone has a disability. Born with limb deficiency. she went to a special school at Haywards Heath in Sussex. "Nothing can prepare you for the shock of the real world when you have lived that kind

could be costly as the season takes its usual toll of over-active leading players. Other squads have been assembled with more

responsibility for their own

of conon-woolled existence,"

knocks. Her irrepressible op-

Without personalities in the beadlines, Flood believes that will be very difficult. "We want athletes who are disabled turning up to open galas so that the kids have someone they can identify with."

There has been increased media coverage which has made a big difference. Five years ago Flood could see competitive swimming dying out and suddenly there was a

Flood, survived the hard

surge of interest. "We've got to build oo that new awareoess and take a more active role in runoing our own Welsh sound warning for rival code

Haviog competed at inter-

Reilly to look closely at under-21 players By KEITH MACKLIN

MALCOLM Reilly, the Great Wigan wing, Gary Connolly, the Britain coach, will watch the under-21 team's match against a successful transition from full the Papua New Guinea touring team at Headingley tonight with more interest than normal.

wing, is out of senior cooteotioo

Martin Offiah, the Widnes

wing, is out of senior cooteotion through his dispute with the clob and Paul Loughlin, the St Helens ceotre, is under a long-term injury cloud. Reilly could promote one or more of the young threequarters oo show tonight for the World Cup game against Papua New Guinea at Wigan a week oo Saturday.

There are six new under-21 caps io the XIII — Haltas, Pearson, Busby, Dixon, Part and McCurrie. The three-quarters in the frame for senior selection are David Myers, the

Davies: advancements

As the Leeds full back, Phil Ford, the only player to have appeared for Wales at rugby league before Sunday night, put it: "We had to restore some pride to Welsh sport. We proved That they certainly did and, if France are brought to Wales to play later in the season, there could be an even bigger crowd to

Weish league players was of a level which would have earned

nearly all inclusion in the Welsh XV. The change in, and improvement of, players such as David Young Mark Jones, Kevio Ellis and Robert

watch the union players of yesteryear increase the stock of rugby league in their old

parional level for six years she

sees swimming as well struc-

tured but amateur. "Things are beginning to change, with

organisers realising that the athletes are getting serious about wanting a more pro-

fessional outlook. I see a

multi-disability approach as the only way forward. I'd like to see each sport working with

the national governing body, leaving the disability organis-

ing the world record she set io the 50 metres breaststroke in

August, and taking a gold medal io Barcelona next year.

improving the sport for others. People like me have got to

be involved in runoing things because able-bodied people will never really understand

back, and Paul Newlove, the

Featherstone Rovers centre,

who is playing with more zest.

Papua New Gunica retain

only three players from the team

"After that I may feel it's time to give up the personal struggle and concentrate on

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Shirley Valentine ready to shine

THE first division of the Caister For Holidays Maiden Fillies' Stakes at Yarmouth today should be well worth watching with next year's Oaks in mind,

For if ever a filly was bred to turned the 1963 Oaks into a win the Epsom classic it is procession when winning by surely Shirley Valentine, who ten lengths. will be making her racecourse debut in the hands of Pat

Eddery.
As her name suggests, she is a daughter of the 1978 Derby winner Shirley Heights. Her connection with the Oaks Derby. But pedigrees are one cost as a yearling may not comes through her dam thing, ability is another. comes through her dam thing, ability is another.

Slightly Dangerous who followed in the footsteps of her lowed in the footsteps of her hreeder Khaled Abdulla, Shiranother chance in the Hopton another chance in the Hopton dam Where You Lead by ley Valentine has given every Leisure Maiden Stakes, oow

MANDARIN

MANDARIN MICHAEL PHILLIPS

daughter of Nohlesse who

Slightly Dangerous has already bred the top-class miler Warning in addition to Shirley Valentine's elder brother De-

Henry Cecil lets her preparation gather momentum. If she is destined for stardom, she certainly ought to be capable of brushing aside her oppositioo this afternoon and

she is my nap. While information concerning the second division is rather more hazy, I am still led to believe that Alec Stewart's Jasocrah, a daughter of Sadler's Wells, has shown ploy who finished second to sufficient promise to suggest Salsabil in last year's Irish that the 370,000 guineas she

finishing second in the Epsom indication on Newmarket that she is running over six heath recently that she is furlongs. The Green Desert

RICHARD EVANS

3.15 Veriga.

the question.

Grove Serendipity is narrowly preferred to Thursday's Newbury runner-up Majed. Tooy

fancied to beat her three rivals in the Hemsby Holiday Stakes following that six-length victory over Conjuring at New-castle earlier this month.

Where You Lead was also a heading the right way as filly appeared out to last out may have to make do with one Chase.

2.45 VAUXHALL HANDICAP (52,735: 1m 3f 101yd) (15 runners)

seven furlongs on her debut at today when his best chance Leicester where she was appears to be on Desert Or-backed as if defeat were out of chid's seven-year-old half-sis-In the Vauxhall Handicap, Mason Handicap Chase.

Peacework will be meeting Pinemartin oo 6lb better terms compared to when they Hide's gelding was beaten last met at Hexham. Yet on only a neck by the versatile Bookcase at Goodwood last a length. Since Snowfire Chap, who

Veriga, from John Gosden's won the Night Nurse Trophy with Niven aboard last year, in-form stable, is strongly has not run this season, I now prefer the in-form Over The Deel, whose stable companion Dancing River could well find asile earlier this month. The task of giving 6lb to the Peter Niven, who rode four very promising Poetic Gem winners at the corresponding more than he can cope with in the Unlikely Lads Novices'

European team arrives for Breeders' Cup showdown

THE whole of a possible 19strong European attack oo the
\$10 milion Breeders' Cup day
at Churchill Downs oo Saturday
Although the final shape of mile. "He's very well," said

was expected to have arrived here by last night.

The British flight from Stansted, which arrived at 11.20am on Monday, included in The Groove, Culture Vulture, Quest For Fame and Saddlers' Hall. The flight from Paris was delayed for 24 hours due to hydraulie problems.

At 2.30pm the same day, the nine French arrivals included Arazi, the favourite for the

Breeders' Cup Juvenile, Priolo and Dear Doctor. "There were on problems at all," said Adrian Beaumoot, of the International Racing Burean. "All the horses arrived in good shape."

The news that Lester Piggott, who created a sensation when winning last year's Breeders' Cup Mile on Royal Academy at the age of 54, will ride Richard Hannoo's Only Yours in the Distaff as well as Showhrook for the Wiltshire trainer against Arazi in the Juvenile, means that for the first time the Europeans will field runners io all seven races.

the Turf three times in the eightyear history of the series.

Although the final shape of
the fields will not be known
notil Thursday, the European
challengers to Tight Spot, the
3-1 American-trained favourite
for the Mile, include Second Set,
Shadayid, Kooyonga, Danseuse

enough speed to wio a group one
race over sprint distances and
yet has the stamina to last out a
mile. "He's very well," said
Hammond, "What we need now
is lack io running."

Although Tight Spot is
favourite for the Mile, the
French have first and second
favourites in the Turf to Pistolet Shadayid, Kooyonga, Danseuse Du Soir, Polar Falcon and last

year's runner-up, Priolo.

Most professionals' idea of the European banker for the richest day's racing in the world is Polar Falcon, successful last time out in the Ladbroke Sprint

Cup at Haydock, The John Hammond-trained colt is cast in the same mould as Last Tycoon and Royal Acad-



Gosden: decided against sending Keen Hunter

favourites in the Turf io Pistolet Bleu and Pigeoo Voyageur, who finished third and fifth respectively behind Suave Dancer in the Arc. The other Europeans are Dear Doctor, lo The are Dear Doctor, to The Groove, Quest For Fame, Sad-dlers' Hall, Miss Alleged and

Saganeca.
Yesterday, the miles of greenroofed barus and the 110-yearold grandstand were basking to the unseasonable late October

D Wayne Lukas, the largest stakes-winning trainer to racing history, who has a record teo Breeders' Cup victories to his credit, was holding court to the

Discussing Arazi's chance of becoming the first European-trained winner oo dirt, Lukas said: "He faces a tough assignment. Apart from anything else it must be the first time he handled two sharp turns to the left. With 14 runners, it would be easy for him to run into traffic problems. He'll have to

be exceptional to win." Two years ago, Lukas cor-rectly forecast that Steinlen would win the Mile. This time he considers Twilight Agenda and Star Of Cozzene, io the tively, his best chances.

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	FORM FOCUS
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2.15	SEASHORE CLAIMING STAKES (E2,637: 1m 2i 21yd) (17 runners)
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5 (1)	11-0340 WOODURATHER 6 (D.G.S) (R Berber) M Pine 582
6 (6)	225344 CHARMING GIFT 4 (BF.F) (Mrs. M Livney) R Williams 48-13
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BETTING	4.4 Fluidly, 92 Woodurather, 11-2 Charming Call, 15-2 Fairs Passact, 7-1 Homewood Call, 6-1 Cycles

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2.45 VAUXHALL HANDICAP (£2,735: 1m 3f 101yd) (15 runners)	who created a sensation when winning last year's Breeders'
1 (5) S00 BIRTHDAYS' CHILO 14 (Birthday's Card Strops) J Finshews 3-100 F Norton (5) 87 2 (12) 6-01052 GROVE SERENDIPITY 28 (V) (A Heinisch A Hide 3-6-12 R Cochrane 92	Cup Mile on Royal Academy at
3 63 365000 TAYLORS PRINCE 14 (C.F.G) 84 Collingration H Collingration 489_ S Caustien 94	the age of 54, will ride Richard Hannoo's Only Yours in the
4 (8) 010900 SARAH-CLARE 5 (6) (Mea: C Coyne) M Ryen S4-7 O Center 95 5 (11) 840252 MAJED 5 (Shelich Michel Altheni) N Calleghen 34-5 Pet Eddery 99	Distaff as well as Showhrook for
6 (10) 505400 MYFONTAINE 9 (0,F,6) (K Mory) K Mory 49-5	the Wiltshire trainer against
4 CI TOURN LID WARLING WELL ID IN CO ID Autology D Williams EQ.1 O Litheast Ch. De	Arazi in the Juvenile, means that for the first time the
8 (4) 142030 POLISTATIC 2 (D.F.6) (T Surrier) C Horgan 48-12	Europeans will field runners to
11 (7) 4200 TOWER BRIDGE 67 (B) (A Edwards) J Scarge 3-8-11	all seven races.
12 (14) 203502 SHOWMANSHIP 9 (3) (Airs C West) C West 488 A McGione 96 13 (13) 000134 SNOW BLIZZARD 9 (7) (M Kentlein) S Dow 388 B Bester 96	Keen Hunter is a last-mioute defector from the Mile. On
14 (15) 648000 ALWAYS ALEX 11 (7) (kirs J Neat) P Stant 440	hearing that Sheikh Moham-
BETTING: 3-1 Grove Serendicity, 4-1 Majed, 8-1 Polematic, 13-2 Showmenship, Lexus, 8-1 Taylora Prince, 10-1 Snow Billzzard, 12-1 Guifend, 14-1 other.	med's Prix de l'Abbaye winner was unlikely to make the cut,
19-1 Show Bitzzard, 12-1 Guilland, 14-1 other. 1990: SLIPPEROSE 3-8-12 A Clark (11-1) J Hille 18 ran	John Gosden decided against
	sending the four-year-old on a
FORM FOCUS	As usual, the best European
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	descriptions in order was a section of
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3 15	MANDARIN
3.15 HEMSBY HOLIDAY GRADUATION STAKES (E3,395: 1m Syd) (4 runners)	1.30 Wake Up. 2.00 lotegrity Boy. 2.30 Peace-
1 (1) 1-03302 ANDRASSY 41 (F) (Sheet) Mohemmed) L Current 3-9-4	work, 3.00 Over The Deel, 3.30 Poetic Gem. 4.00 Go Tally-Ho.
3 (2) 21 VERIGA 16 (D.P.) Size 6 Touted J Gordon SA-13 W Corpora R1	
4 (3) 3-15620 ZISIKA 7 (CD/F) (Shelich Mohammed) H Cooli 3-8-13	THUNDERER
1980: AIGUE 48-13 G Center (11-2) G Wragg 5 ran	1.30 Wake Up. 2.00 Facility Letter, 2.30 Interim Lib. 3.00 Over The Deel, 3.30 Poetic Gem. 4.00
FORM FOCUS	Patsy's Pet
	Richard Evans: 3.30 PORTIC GEM (nap).
ANDRASSY ½ 2nd of 5 to Pay Homage in Lingfield VERHIGA best Conjuring 61 in 6-runner Newcastle (rim. 1, good to firm) spring of the Standable in 10 Jast of 8 to Juna in Nottinghear (tim 2, good to firm) Redoer (77, good to firm) hendings on penultimete start.	
10 last of 8 to Juna in Nottingham (1m 21, good to firm) Redoor (71, good to firm) handloop on penultimete start. statues mos.	GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES) SIS
0.45	1.30 JOHNNY RIDLEY MEMORIAL HANDI-
3.45 CAISTER FOR HOLIDAYS MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES	CAP HURDLE (£1,908: 2m) (10 runners)
(Div It 2-Y-O: £2,070: 1m Syd) (10 runners)	1 51-5 PRINCE BISHOP 34 (D.F.S) N Miler 5-11-10 J Supple (7)
1 (5) 8 ARMARAMA 166 (C Offer) C Britain 5-11 L Dettort 93 2 (6) 00 DESERT MIST 14 (Mrs. C Philippen) M Prescott 5-11 C Nuther	2 1.83 PEL DOVE 19 OF PER PLANTAGE 6-118 1 CHAPA
	6 12-6 WAIGE UP 14 (D.F.S) R D Leany 4-11-8
4 (4) JASOORAH (Shelkh Ahmed Al Maktoum) A Stewart 8-11	1 · Urgskrinn (7)
5 (7) 6 LITTLE PARK 16 (Miss C Monta) J Puerce 8-11 N Adums - N Adums 5 LOCH CLAR 20 (Capt J Macdonald-Buchanan) Mrs J Cacil 8-11 Paul Eddary 81	5 D4-3 BAY YERN 15 (D.BF,G) M H Easterby 5-11-6 R Fathby 6 2-41 SPANISH WHISPER B (D.G) J Bostock 4-10-12 (Sec)
7 (9) 6 MAID OF ICE 16 (Na P Redict) J Scarglif 6-11 W Ryan -	7 2-34 LORID RINUS 19 (D.F.) J Goulding 4-108 C Dennis (3) 6 06-0 KEEP BIDDING 15 (B.CD.F) J Johnson 5-107 6 Shony
6 (S) 2 NOBLE SINGEH 12 (W Gradley) H Thomson Jones 6-11	6 06-0 KEEP BRDDING 15 (B.CD.F) J Johnson 5-107. 6 Storey 9 144- A GENTLEMAN TWO 144F (G) J Eyre 5-10-7 A Nixon (7) 10 PRO- POSITIVE ACTION 135 M Bartes 5-100
10 (2) 00 WHISPER'S SHADOW 27.0 from Max Tritton) M Tourishins 6-11 C Hodgson (5) @ 98	
BETTING: 138 Juscocch, 21 ET Turanda, 7-2 Americane, 8-1 Nobin Singer, 12-1 Loch Cleix, 18-1 others. 1990: NO CORESSPONDING DIVISION	7-2 Spanish Wheeper, 4-1 Galloway Raider, 9-2 Bay Tem, 5-1 Bel- dine, 6-1 Water Up, 10-1 Prince Bathop, 14-1 others.
ARMARAMA 41 lest of 6 to Memorials at Newmorket [Anisco in Leicostur (7), good to firm) melden with LTT-	2.00 JOHN WADE GROUP OF COMPANIES
ARBIARAMA 41 lest of 6 to Merceable at Newmerket Anless in Leisester (7), good to first) maiden with LIY-	SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE SERIES FINAL
(St. good). EL. TARANDA (tosied Mir. 31) helt-sister by TLE PARK belled on 18th. NOBLE SINGER pit 2nd of Ele-Name-Mou to smort tim 41 victors Young Buster. 2 to Common Council in Newmerket (71, good to firm)	(26,970: 2m 4f) (14)
LASCORAH (May 25, cost 3/0,000cns) helifeister by I maided, WHATCOAFFSNATURALLY 141 Rth of 19 to	1 2111 VALIANT DASH 32 (CO.F.G.S) 8 Kettlewell 5-12-0
Sector's Webs to 8f juverale witner Fermet, LOCH Tarcot in Wideentempton (Im 11, good) maken with CLAR 17/41 aut of 5 to Snow Forest in York (7t, good) DESERT MST 8: 18th. to limit stokes aros, MAD OF ICE 17: 11h of 16 to Selection: No selection	2 1910 SOLITARY REAPER 19 (D.F) C Beever 6-11-1
w mm) makes sect. MAD CF K≥ 1/1 11th of 16 to 1 Selector: No selector)	W Marston (7)
	4 4-32 FACILITY LETTER 43 (F) G Moore 4-10-7 M Driver (
4.15 CALIFORNIA CLIFFS HANDICAP (22,959: 71 2yd) (20 runners)	5 3-62 J-TEC BOY 68 (C.G) J Kinose 5-106
1 (5) 082154 A LITTLE PRECIOUS 4 (G,S) (D Page) J Bowlock 5-0-12 B Reymond 95	7 51 VICTORY TORCH 15 (C.F.) H Washing 6-10-3 C Dennis (3)
2 (15) 233015 HAMADRYAD 22 (D.F) (New M Keley) W Certer 3-0-11	6 2831 ACE OF DIAMONIOS 16 (CD,F,S) F Storey 5-10-1 B Storey
4 (13) 52/100 ON Y VA 53 (D,S) (T Homet) R Williams 4-6-7 W Careon 96	9 1111 NISHGRA 15 (C.F.) M.H. Ensterby 3-10-0. L. Mullermey (7) 10 205- HAGLER 158 B Brusheld 6-10-0
5 (9) 000 PARK AVENUE 16 (T Filler-Smitht) O Wilson 3-9-1	10 205- MAGLER 158 B Bousteld 5-10-0
7 (17) 610000 DAWN'S DELIGHT 4 (D.6.5) (K wory) K lvory 1980	12 -540 HEAVENLY HOOFER 16 (C.F.G) W Shory 8-10-0
8 (1) 3800-00 AMATROCCOLO 6 (D) (C Horger) C Horgen 4-8-12	A Carroll
[10 (8) 005210 YES 14 (9F.S) (W Column) 12 Thom 3-8-10	13 00-2 MRS SKINNER 25 Mrs P Barker 4-10-0 C Hawkins 14 -458 ENCHANTED COURT 25 (B.CO.,5) R Lamb 7-10-0
11 (3) 0-00014 CURCK STEEL B (B,E) (Culclessed Ltd) T McGovern 30-10	AMentgan
13 (20) /00900/ LOPID PATRICK 734 (D.F.S) (J Yoller) J Yoller 7-8-7 July Houston -	11-4 Valiant Dash, 9-2 Nishidna, 6-1 Ace Of Diamonds, 7-1 Integrity Boy, 5-1 Facility Letter, 10-1 J-Tac Boy, 12-1 others.
14 (19) 084000 HENRY WILL 7 (C.D.F.S.S) (G Leggett) T Feithurst 7-86	
18 (7) 5-00000 SCRAVELS SARAN 40 (D Johnson) J Scange 3-8-4	COURSE SPECIALISTS
17 (16) 055103 KAYYMAS 88 (CD,F) (Whitting Commodities List) W Holden 67-11	TRAINERS: M H Easterby, 23 winners from 69 runners, 33.3%; C Thornton, 6 from 22, 27.3%, Aks V Aconley, 6 from
19 (4) 022266 SPRING HIGH 14 (BUP) (Mrs P Brown) K Nory 4-7-7 N Adams 90	33.3%; C Thomton, 6 from 22, 27.3%, Mrs V Aconley, 6 from 23, 26.1%; 6 Kettlewell, 5 from 23, 21.7%; J J D'Neill, 12 from
20 (14) 005000 MISS MAGENTA 14 (A Thompson) R Thompson 5-7-7	57, 21.1%; G Moors, 20 from 99, 20.4%.
Long transloace First Flush 7-6, Spring High 7-5, Miss Magaritz 7-9. 18ET FING: 4-1 Heanthysid, 9-2 Cronic's Questy, 5-1 Quick Steel, 8-1 A Little Precious, 13-2 Kewwes, 6-1 Kirby	JOCKEYS: L. Mullaney, 3 winners from 8 rutes, 50,0%; C Grant, 45 from 201, 22,5%; M Dovyer, 26 from 123, 22,5%; D Crossman, 5 from 23, 19,2%; N Doughty, 6 from 32, 18,5%; R
Opportunity, 10-1 Spring High, 72-1 On Y Vs., 14-1 others. 1990: LA BAMBA 49-2 W Hood (5-1) G Pritchard-Gordon 20 ran	Crossman, 5 from 28, 19.2%; N Doughty, 6 from 32, 18.8%; R Hodge, 5 from 27, 18.5%.
FORM FOCUS	☐ John Carr, the former jockey, is set to become
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Style trial makes for a fascinating match-up



e have two worthy final-ists for the 1991 Rugby World Cup. At the highest level, individuals and teams do not get what they deserve but what they are good enough to take. Australia and England took their chances - and themselves to the final of the World Cup.

They did it in very different ways, which were as much an indication of their attitudes to themselves as an indication of the relative strengths of the teams. England believe in their ability to win; Australia believe in their

ability to play great rugby. England began their match with Scotland in a most positive manner. They did oot, as many pundits thought, play the whole match through their forwards. They began hy moving the ball into the midfield where Carling, in particular, was charged with breaking the first line and setting up a ruck from which the ball would be moved quickly wide. Alas, Peter Winterbottom mishandled the first two times he was asked to take the ball on from the initial burst by Carling and there died England's attempt at continuity.

In the end, it was simply a case of Scotland the Brave versus England the Big.

Scotland's attempt to keep the ball away from the touchlines, and to play at an unflagging pace, foundered on the rock of their own inaccuracies. If only they hadn't held the ball at the back of scrums; if only they hadn't taken on the England back row with setpiece moves close to the scrum; if only they had been able to recover their high kicks and eliminate handling errors.

All of these "if onlys" add up to a Herculean task and one I can never remember having been



David Kirk, captain of the 1987 World

Cup winning All Blacks, weighs the

strengths of the teams that have

reached this year's final

achieved at international level. Teams which are beaten soundly in the scrums and lineouts, and which are therefore forced to try to play breakneck rugby with no errors, do not win international rugby matches. Scotland came close to doing so and that is a measure of their quality.

After England's initial foray into midfield, which produced some promising openings that came to nothing. Scotland kicked two penalties and wrested the initiative for perhaps 20 minutes of the match. As the second half progressed, however, the pendulum swung back towards England and it was then, as they reasserted their dominance in the lineout, that their courage and belief in the type of rugby they are capable of playing failed them.

At 6-6, and with the lineout and scrum secure, the next step in the evolution of this England team was there to be taken. I fear they have missed the opportunity forever. If England lose the final on Saturday, and I believe they will, it will have been lost when their courage failed them in the second half at Murrayfield.

Australia produced the outstanding performance of the tournament in unceremoniously

side. Throughout the first half they played almost faultless rugby, winning the best set-piece ball and passing, handling and judging impeccably.

When one strikes a team running hot like this, the only thing that can be done is to keep cool, to never admit defeat and to wait for the tide to turn. This the All Blacks did admirably.

There were minor mistakes by New Zealand in both Australian tries but they were very minor, the execution was simply too good to be stopped by anyone. And so it went on, neither side making any significant mistakes at all and both sides tackling their hearts

As many had expected for some time, the difference was in hunger and pace. And another factor, perhaps surprisingly oo the day, was a lack of inventiveness and penetration from the All Black backs. Throughout the second half, they asked again and again one single question of the Australians: "Are you prepared to tackle us?". The answer was clearly 'yes", and they did.

The questions they were never asked were: "Which direction is the ball going?" and "who is going to get the ball after this move?" Or, "who should I take?". Pushing the ball to the wings against a drifting defence, and without the pace of Wright and Jones, was never going to be enough.

But then perhaps nothing was. was undoubtedly Australia's day. From the first, they played like men who believed to their skills and their game plan and who accepted that scoring points was nothing more than the logical extension of playing great rugby. That to me is the attitude of world

Jones returns to bolster All Blacks

Scottish duo have chance to bow out on a high note

By DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THE Weish may oot be in the mood to appreciate it hut they have the opportunity today to pay tribute to some distinguished rugby careers: the third-place play-off match of the World Cup at Cardiff Arms Park may mark the last international of half a dozen players from New Zealand and Scotland, players whose records deserve more than a rudimentary nod from a halffull stadium,

Finlay Calder and John Jeffrey, the Scotland flankers, have already made their intentions clear. Both came desperately close to achieving the amhition of a lifetime for any Scot, when they came within three points of beating the All Blacks in Auckland last year, but in 15 encounters Scotland have yet to record a victory. Both would dearly love to go out such a high note.

No New Zealander has yet has it that such players as the Whetton brothers, Andy Earl and Richard Loe may be pondering retirement. Alan Whetton, the flanker whose career began in 1984 and who will be 32 in December, was among those not required for today's game as the New Zealand management made six changes from the XV beaten 16-6 hy Australia in Sunday's semi-final.

His place goes to Earl while Michael Jones, unavailable for New Zealand's last three matches because of his religious beliefs, returns on the other flank. It was Jooes who scored the first try of the tournament, that condemned England to defeat in the opening match on October 3, and it is a measure of his standing that the All Blacks were prepared to select him in the knowledge that he could

miss several critical games. Kieran Crowley, a late addition to the party, gives way at that coaches should be apfull back to Terry Wright, pointed for four-year periods. whose recovery from a hamstring injury came just too late get through this tournament for his pace to be used against and then make changes," Hart Australia. There are three added. "We came up against

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F Calder (Stewart's Melville FP)	7	Flanker	M N Jones (Auckland)	
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to John Timu (thigh), Bernie Grant Fox (groin): their places at wing, centre and stand-off Tuigamala, Walter Little and John Preston.

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we were on our way down. McCahill (hamstring) and This [today's game] is now a character test for the All Blacks. Scotland have got half respectively go to Va'aiga everything to play for and they probably don't mind being here because they have had a "You have seen an All very good tournament. But it Black team coming to the end would be wrong for this team of its time," John Hart, their to be remembered for one co-coach, said. Hart will defeat, and not for what it is

Wyllie said it was an opportunity for younger players seeking to cement places in centenary season next year but All Black teams of the future. "This is a new challenge. We selectors, is not standing again hope we can play enjoyable and Alex Wyllie, their other rugby for the crowd and it coach, is expected to retire, looks as though the Scots are taking it seriously," he said. that coaches should be ap- No New Zealand team has lost at Cardiff since 1973: if to-"We were hoping we could day's game can match the quality of that encounter against the Barbarians, Gareth Edwards et al - it would be a

wonderful way to go.



Happy faces: David Campese, Australia's inspirational wing, is at the centre of a gathering during training at Sunbury yesterday as the players show their delight at reaching the Rugby World Cup final. Report, page 40

RESULTS: England 12, New Zesland 16; Italy 30, United States 9; New Zesland 46, United States 6; England 36, Italy 8; England 37, United States 9; New Zesland 31, Italy 21. PWDL F APIS

RESULTS: Scotland 47. Japan 9; Ireland 55, Zimbabwe 11; Ireland 32, Japan 18; Scotland 51, Zimbabwe 12; Scotland 24, Ireland 15; Zimbabwe 6,

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Quarter-finals

(in Dublin)

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The winners of the Heinz fair play award will be selected by the referees assessors, who may take into account incidents not punished by a referee. Foul play, dissent and off-the-ball incidents are key factors in assessing the award, as are the number of penalties awarded against teams in the earlier stages of the tournament. Dismissalis, drug abuse or misconduct off the field will result in disqualification. Western Samoa and Arcentine tion. Western Semos and Argentine have been disqualified for having a player sent off.

Today: ITV: 2.25-4pm: Live coverage of the Scotland v New Zeeland third place play-off match from Cardiff Arms Park. Highlightts 11.35pm-12.30am. Screensport: 2.0-4.30pm: Live coverage from Cardiff. Highlights: 9.30-10.30pm.

S Africa's World Cup hopes brighten

By DAVID HANDS

THE venue for the 1995 World Cup has yet to be decided, but those who would award it to South Africa may have derived encouragement from Monday's meeting in Johannesburg. Nelson Mandela, deputy leader of the African National Congress. African Rugby Board (Sarb) and the South African Rugby Union (Saru) and there was a general endorsement of the aim to establish a unified, non-racial governing body for rugby by

Danie Craven, the Sarb president who attended the meeting. said the progress of the unification talks was discussed "in a good spirit". He added: "I think Mr Mandela realises he has to attend to the matter. He will help get it done, and quickly. Everything must be finished by the end of the year."

Were that to be the case, it would be considerably easier for the International Rugby Football Board to discuss the 1995 World Cup venue when it bolds its annual meeting in March. Until the board is assured of the proper implementation of the newly-constituted body, how-South Africa will remain in

New Zealand have extended an invitation for a South African representative to attend their next joint meeting, in Sydney in February — an occasioo in which Argentina has also expressed an interest, which suggests that some form of soothern-hemisphere

informally.

Australia also has in mind the possibility of playing three provincial matches and an ioternational in South Africa on their way to Ireland and Wales next actume. Were they to arrive as holders of the World Cup, they would receive a rapturous wel-come in South Africa.

Craven, speaking from Stellenbosch, voiced his regret that the present World Cup was too soon for his country: "When I watch it I feel like crying - to bear all the anthems and know that our boys are oot there." watching the tournament at first and, among them Naas Botha. the Northern Transvaal standoff half, who was in Dublin to see Australia beat New Zealand.

That was a match one sees only once io many years." Craven said, but in geoeral he has not been impressed by what has not been unpressed by what he described as "kick-and-charge" rugby. "That's not rugby. The Wallabies deviate from it and that's why they're

EQUESTRIANISM

Horse trials bring in suspension for falls

By JENNY MACARTHUR

STRINGENT new medical rules have brought the sport of horse trials into line with the Jockey Club. From next year, any rider who has a serious fall at an event will

be suspended and giveo a horse trials medical suspension card. lo order in compete again the rider must be given clearance from his doctor.

The ruling, which was an-oounced at the horse trials annual group conference at Lord's yesterday, follows Su-sanoa Macaire's fall at Galcombe Park last year. McCaire, who was short-listed for the British team, had been knocked out and sprung ber collarbone at Dauntsey horse trials a fortnight before. Told that only riders who competed at Gatcomhe would be considered for the team, Macaire bravely rode her horse, Master Marius, at Gatcombe, hut fell, injuring herself and her horse. The Horse Trials Group re-

ported a deficit of £55,000 this year. This was largely due to running the Windsor Horse Trials without a maio sponsor, at a cost of £60,000. The group's reserves now stand at £444,000, and members' subscriptions and horse registrations have been

The sport ooted a record oumber of entries - 46,230 - in last year's 160 events, which included nine three-day events. The international team had junior and senior teams all won gold medals at their respective European championships. One event organiser, Hamish

Lochore, protested yesterday against the rule that an organiser wishing to exceed the official "band" of prize-money must pay a levy from his event to central funds. Unmoved, John Tulloch, the group chairman, said: "We are very reluctant to see a system where the strong events go forward and the weak stay the same."

Negotiations by the group for Tweseldown racecourse, where the Crookham horse trials are held, are at an advanced stage. HORSE TRIAL GROUP AWARDS: Tony rturise: Trital. GROUP AWARDS: Tony Collins Memorial Trophy: R Powel. Calcuta Light Horse Trophy: Rish McMallen. Modern Alarm Wideswales Trophy: Mrs Kiteley (breeder of Lega Eeven). Edity Goldman Trophy: K Gifford. Mertin Witheley Trophy: O Moore. Str John Burder Trophy: L Bevan. Beehive Trophy: S Thompson.

☐ The Audi Blenheim international three-day event has

TENNIS

Wainwright strolls through

By Andrew Longmore, Tennis correspondent

ditional theory, it will be too late

BEARING in mind the less than at school until she is 18, by flattering comments made about British juniors by Jo Durie last week, Amanda Wain-wright enjoyed a startling vic-tory over Belinda Borneo in the second mund of the national championships, the first to be beid under the Volkswageo

Wainwright, a bonny, well-built 15-year-old from Essex, did not just beat the No. 10 seed, she annihilated her, 6-1, 6-1, with a gusto which augurs rather better for the future than the British No. 1 had indicated last week in Brighton.

"Where are all the children?"
Durie had asked in paioting a gloomy picture of the state of the art. Rather closer to home than she anticipated, it seems. Wainwright is part of the same stable as Durie, Both are coached by Alan

Jones and they frequently prac-tise together, at least when Wainwright can find the time. Besides being the national under-16 champion, Wainwright represents her county at hockey, is a useful netball player and, following in the footsteps of her mother, who once was fourth in the world at the discipline, is a talented hurdler. If that was not enough, she gained an A in GCSE English a

which time, according to tra-

to begin a serious career in professional tennis. Not many have the dual talents of the Wimbledoo champion. Michael Stich, who gained a place at university before turning to tennis full-time. Sarah Loosemore, the former national champion, who is oow pursuing her studies in psychology at St Hilda's in Oxford, is

the more likely example.
"I made nn unforced errors. I just went out to attack her and



it," Wainwright, who now plays Amanda Grunfeld, said. Durie began the defence of her title comfortably enough, beating Lucy Needham for the

loss of just two games, and Jeremy Bates, also protecting his place as British champion, could not have enjoyed a better start. He won 6-0, 7-5 against Simoo tckriogill, the Yorkshireman, who wasted six match points against him in the

RESULTS: Merc Singles: First round: Sichnya (Yorks) bt V Penson (Essee), 5-3, 7-5; A Brice (Cheshte) bt S Bele (Middu), 6-3, 6-1; G Henderson (Yorks) bt J Marryn (Sussee), 6-4, 6-4; J Hunter (Surrey) bt P A Robinson (Yorks), 6-4, 6-2; O Williams (Middle) bt D Shem (Herts), 6-4, 7-6; A Rouse (Essee) bt A Morgan (Notts), 6-4, 6-4; N Jones (N Wales) bt J Haycock (Surrey), 6-4, 6-4; C Beacher (Kern) bt D Colles (Obon), 6-4, 7-6, Second round: J Bates (Surrey) bt 3 Lichnyal, 6-0, 7-5; J Lenton (Bods) bt M Bincow (Northerste), 6-7, 6-2, 6-4; N Fulwood (Derbye) bt J Hunter (Surrey), 6-3, 6-8. Women: Singles: Second round: S Smith Bincow (Normano), 6-7, 6-2, 6-4; N-Tuwcoo (Derbys) by J Huriter (Surrey), 6-3, 6-3.

Women: Singles: Second round: S Smith (Essex) bt T Weimmight (Narwicke), 6-1, 6-4; V Humphreys-Davies (Cembe) bt V Invine (Essex), 6-0, 6-0; A Weimmight (Essex) bt B Bomeo (Beds), 6-1, 6-1; S-A Sidded (Dorset) bt M Hughes (N Weles), 6-1, 6-2; C Hurit (Dorset) bt J Caplen (Fients and InW), 6-2, 6-1; J-Seimon (Gusses) bt A Moverley (Yorles), 6-3, 6-2; S Gomer (Devon) bt L Woodrafie (Susses) bt K-Cross (Devon), 6-3, 7-6; V Leise (Devon) bt X Fisher (N Weise), 6-3, 6-4; A Grunteid (Lencs) bt J Holden (Yorles), 6-3, 6-4, 6-3; M Jewer (unstitucted) bt H Metthewns (Berke), 6-2, 6-3; S Bentiny (Lines) bt L AN (Devon), 7-5, 7-6; B Griffith's (Misch) bt C Herbert (Herta), 4-5, 6-4, 6-3; C Billingham (Cxon) bt 3 Donovan (Herts), 3-6, 6-4, 6-2

Umpires are opposed to

neutral panel ENGLISH umpires will stand

firm if Pakistan ask for neutral officials to be used in their five-Test series in England oexi summer. They remaio opposed to the principle of an international panel.

Doo Oslear, the chairman of England's first-class umpires, said yesterday: "I have feared for some time there will be an independent panel of umpires. I am attending a meeting at Lord's tomorrow at which the matter will be discussed and I shall remind the board of the unanimous proposal adopted by all English umpires at our meeting 12 months ago.

"The proposal says 'our body does not wish to be associated with the international panel, as this is detrimental to English umpires, the English game and cricket in general, and that this be supported by the TCCB by voting against the proposal at

any ICC meeting."

The TCCB spokesman, Peter Smith, said: "As there is a distinct possibility the ICC will have found a sponsor for a neutral panel of Test umpires before the start of the 1992 English season, we are waiting to see how that progresses before making any alternative arrange-

CRICKET

South Africa receive Sharjah invitation

OVERSEAS CRICKET by SIMON WILDE

Africa play in this winter. They have also been asked to play in the triangular Champions Trophy at Sharjah, io the United Arab Emirates, in April.

South Africa received the invitation from Asif Iqbal, the mer Pakistan Test batsman and Sharjah's organiser, before the International Cricket Council (ICC) meeting io the Gulf state last week, arranged to decide on the Republic's participation in the World Cup. South Africa are almost certaio to accept but their decision may not be known until the

delegation they sent to Sharjah returns from a series of meetings in Asia, which should produce provisional dates for several further tours and lead to some prominent Indians and Pakistanis playing in the Curric Cup

South Africa's opponents in Sharjah have not been confirmed but are expected to be Australia and New Zealand. A report to the Johannesburg Star that England had been invited was yesterday refuted by the Test and County Cricket Board. With the World Cup ending in Melbourne on March 25 and the

THE World Cup is unlikely to weeks later, there would scarcely be the only tournament South be time for England to be be time for England to be involved, even if that was what

they wanted.
Meanwhile, preparations contique in South Africa for their return. Plans to build a new main grandstand at the Wanderers, Johannesburg, 10 raise the capacity to 32,000 have been brought forward in an attempt to complete the 25 million rand project in time for what will now be a full Test tour by India from October to December next year.

Sri Lanka yesterday offered to tour India io place of Pakistan whose visit was cancelled on Sunday because of threats by Hindu militants to sabotage a match in Bombay.

New South Wales, not tra-

ditionally a strong side at the one-day game, woo Australia's state limited-overs competition for only the third time in 23 years when they beat Western Australia in Perth at the weekend. In a low-scoring match New South Wales comfortably: defended a total of 199 for nine. bowling out the FAI Cup holders for 130. The only player to exceed 50 was Western Austraiia's Damien Martyn, who last summer captained Australia's Under-19 team in England, with

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Awford threatens United's progress in Rumbelows Cup

United forward who under-Trafford tonight. The teenage Portsmouth sweeper has been the inspiration behind a promising start to the season at the second division club, which intends to remove Alex Ferguson's side from the

IOUNDUP

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Awford, the United full backs tonight. will be relieved to learn that Portsmouth.

Smith, the Portsmouth man- Jackson. ager, is pinning his principal hopes of success.

Bryan Robson, the United returned from his loan period captain, will start on the at Sunderland, and Nevin, substitutes' beach after strain- who is on the transfer list.

Swindon facing a

cash shortfall

SWINDON Town faced the appearances. He is apparently

Bodin (Louise Taylor writes). Carr, who cost Newcastle Southampton paid a club £250,000 when he joined them record fee of £1 million to the from Nottingham Forest in the

second division side for Mc-Loughlin, a Republic of Ireland jured John Salako on the Palace

international midfield player, wing while Bodin may thrive if £300,000 of which was depen-

dent on him playing 30 matches. now at Newcastle bot previously

He has so far played 23, and his manger at Swindon. Ardiles Southampton are determined to would be loath to part with Carr,

lau Branfoot, the Southampton manager, wants £500,000 for MeLoughlin, and yesterday rejected a £250,000 offer from Asion Villa, who have had him on loan for the past month.

Counted Poleon paid Suindoo

McLoughlin, he has struggled to ton, his former club, yesterday

make an impact in the first when he signed Gary Coats-division. worth, a central defender, for

agreed to pay Swindoo an to depotise for Tony James, the undisclosed part of the fee after central defender who broke his

Bodin made a set number of leg last Saturday.

Like Southampton, Palace £15,000. Coatsworth is expected

WOE betide any Manchester United already without the also enjoy rare run-outs in the injured Paul Ince and Mark first team. estimates Andy Awford at Old Phelan and the suspended Mark Hughes, that may mean Clayton Blackmore being moved to midfield, and Mark Robins recalled up front.

While involvement in Europe could leave United over-stretched on too many Rumbelows Cup. fronts, Everton have fewer distractions to divert them pany will need to be wearing when they, too, face second their sharpest shooting boots division opposition in a thirdin order to get the better of round tie at Goodison Park

With Steve Bull leading an ankle injury makes Mark their attack, Wolverhampton Chamberlain, the former Eng- Wanderers are entitled to land winger who seems to fancy their chances in any have acquired a new lease of one-off cup situation, and will life this autumn, doubtful for be encouraged by the injury news from Everton, who are Aged 19, Awford is the likely to be without Ratcliffe, individual on which Jim Sheedy, Ward, Harper, and

Their absence may mean places for Beagrie, who has ing a hamstring at Sheffield Youds, a defender, and Bar-Wednesday on Saturday. With low, a reserve forward, could

The Norwich defence should beware of Holdsworth, the visiting forward who has scored 15 times this season, including six goals in the Rumbelows Cup. With Ben-stead, Brentford's first choice goalkeeper who used to play for Norwich, injured, Bayes, aged 19, is likely to he handed the task of thwarting the first unpalatable prospect of readjusting their budget yesterday when it became apparent that they are unlikely to receive the full anticipated transfer fees for Alan MeLoughlin and Paul Redin (Louise Taylor price) division attack.

without scoring, and Graham

Turner, the Wolves manager, said: "That equals his worst

ever run, so he should be inspired tonight. You can sense a depression about the

lad when he is not knocking

the ball into the back of the

Bristol Rovers must fear a

backlash from Nottingham Forest at the City Ground. On

Saturday Brian Clough's de-fence — one of the most

expensive in the first division

- were humbled 3-1 by lowly

Southampton, a result that the likes of Walker, Pearce, Tiler,

and Charles are anxious to

exorcise against their strug-

gling second division visitors. Third division attempts to

overcome first at Carrow Road where Brentford aim to

sting Norwich City. The pros-pect does not intimidate Phil

Holder, the Brentford man-

Another understudy poised to attract a rare ray of limelight is Groves, the Arsenal forward who is expected to replace the injured Campbell at Coventry.

Terry Butcher's team ruffled Arsenal by beating them 2-1 in the League at Highbury earlier this season, but have lost their last four games and give a debut to Booty, aged 20, at right back. Butcher said: "You could not ask for a much harder baptism. They are incredibly strong in attack, but Booty has to start against

Rumbelows tie, Southampton Lee, a winger, and Wood, a central defender, are cup-fied having played for Bury and Millwall respectively in earlier rounds of the competition. Their absence is likely to involve recalls for Horne and

someone."



Clough promises recovery

BRIAN Clongh, the Nottingham Forest manager, yesterday million of company money.

vowed to steer the team of its
trough (Chris Moore writes).

place; and we have spent £5 carrying. But he has never cribbed, even when we have played as badly as we did against club I would be starting to worry

Southampton last weekend. In the night's remaining Despite spending more than £5 million on new players this find themselves deprived of season, Forest have suffered £750,000 worth of players. successive defeats against two of the bottom three clobs in the first division, Sheffield United

and Southampton. "I know what will be going through people's miods," Clough said. "We are fourteenth in the first division; we have lost seven League games; we are cooceding goals all over the

ciub I would be starting to worry about the manager and question one or two things. But Maurice Roworth need not worry because I am going to repay him, and the rest of our board, for the patience they have

shown over the last two months. "The chairman, in particular, deserves my loyalty and sup-port. I am not sure which one of our goalkeepers to pick at the moment, but that is nothing compared to the load he is

Southampton last weekend.

"After a performance like that other managers would have

been scared to go to work for fear of getting the sack. But not me. The chairman and the don't feel any need to hide." Clough has not yet named a squad for tonight's Rumbelows

ICE HOCKEY

Devils go top after double success

Crossicy.

Cup tie at home to Bristol Rovers, but could recall Steve Sutton in goal in place of Mark

Italy experiences embarrassing drought of goals

OVERSEAS FOOTBALL by PETER ROBINSON

best players, but the combina-tion of mooey and famous tion of mooey and famous names does not guarantee goals. Always prone 10 oegative, defeosive football, the league reached a new low on Suoday when just eight goals were scored in oine matches. It was the worst total to the history of the Italian Serie A. The average oumber of goals per game this season has been 1.9.

Luciano Nizzola, the league president, said: "Perhaps the best solution would be to introduce the English system which rewards a win with three points." The Football federation

points." The Football federation president, Antonio Materesse, also expressed concern, without, however, recommending that

Platt's hapless Barl, their performance was widely criticised for being too boring. After being accused of delivering more passes back to the goalkeeper in Barcelona attracted 76,000 specone match than in four years tators to the Nou Camp for the uoder the attack-mioded Arrigo visit of Atlético. Real Madrid,

THE Italian League may be the keeper? I like winning and to richest io Europe, it may feature wio it's sometimes necessary to many, if not most, of the world's pass the ball to the goalkeeper." What about entertaining the spectators? Winning, it would seem, is everything in Italy.

Javentus would not argue with that, however. They managed to score twice against Cremonese, through Carrera and Casiraghi In the Soviet Union, CSKA

Moscow won their first national championship since 1971 when they won 1-0 at Dynamo Mos-cow. As their principal rivals, Spartak Moscow, lost at home to 2-1 to Torpedo Moscow, that provided a satisfying end-ing to a season CSKA might otherwise have wanted to forget. In June, the club's goalkeeper, Mikhail Yeremin, was killed in

however, recommending that the League switches to the English system: "Our ehampionship is followed and envice all over the world hut we shouldn't fool ourselves into believing that we have the best football by divine right."

Although AC Milan succeeded in storing once to inflict yet another defeat oo David Platt's hapless Barl, their perfor-Sacchi, the Milan defender, who were watched by 72,000, Costacurta, said: "So, you saw a lot of passes back to the goal- 3-0.

Papin is accused of faking injury

JEAN-PIERRE Papin has been seven or eight minutes after the accused of faking his injury wheo he collapsed after being hit oo the head by a half-empty lager can before Marseilles's league match at St Etienoe two

"We would not have dis-charged him if there had been anything wrong with him," Dr Jean Bertrand, head of the emergency unit at the St Etienne

hospital, told the sports newspaper, L'Equipe.

Papin, France's leading scorer, returned to the ground and sat on the substitutes' bench

L'Equipe.

Papin, France's leading supporters had thrown objects on the pitch after the match and the Spanish federation had until tomorrow to appeal against Uefa's fine. during the match which Mar-seilles lost 1-0. At first it was claimed he had been hit by a half-pint beer bottle as he got off the team bus in the St Erienne

fracture and I felt all right then I Stefan Reuter, the German asked to leave. I'm going to see my solicitor about this."

The St Etienne club doctor, Guy Demooteil, joined in the row when he said Papin could or five week have played. "I examined him in training.

incident and clinically found oothing wrong with him," Dr Demonteil said. "I think he could have played that night," The Spaoish Football Federation was fined \$50,000 for crowd trouble during a European championship match against France this mooth, A European Football Union (Ucfa) spokeswoman said frate supporters had thrown objects

The match in Seville on October 12 was won 2-1 by France, who qualified for the 1992 finals in Stockholm.

car park.

"What this doctor says is unbelievable," Papio said. "I Jean-Pierre Papin, who was was asked if I wanted to stay in booked for the second time g the match.

international defender, had an operatioo on his right knee yesterday and is expected to be out of the Juventus side for four or five weeks. He tore a cartilage

BRIDGE

SWIMMING

Medal winners get Olympic reward

By CRAIG LORD

THE selection policy au-nounced in July for the Olympic Games next year has been relaxed, extending the luxury of pre-selection to four swimmers but reopening the debate as to whether such a move benefits the individuals and the development of the national team.

Crystal Palace paid Swindon £550,000 for Bodin, a Welsh

international left back, near the

Top of the list are Adrian Moorhouse, who defends his 100 metres breaststroke title in Barrelona and Nick Gillingham, the European champion, hroke the world short-

but with United struggling in the

team's attempt to win promo-

Brian Little, the Leicester City

tion from the second division.

They are joined by Ian Wil-son, the runner-up in the 1,500 metres freestyle at the European ehampionships at Athens in August, who is ranked fourth in the world, and Mike Fibbens, the bronze medal winner at 50

said the request for a change had

leading three io the world this nition of the superb perforyear and would have earned pre-selection under the original Sunderland, and Fibbens, of Barnet Copthall, in Athens. Denison said: "Basically, we're hoping they'll see it as a vote of confidence in them, a psychological boost that will

spur them on." The recent record, however, would have seen him perform there as he did in Athens. He added that the pre-selec-

the world, and Mike Fibbens, the bronze medal winner at 50 metres freestyle in Athens, ranked fifth.

Terry Denison, the head coach to the national team and to Moorhouse at City of Leeds, said the request for a change had

The recent record, however, would appear to show that Fibbens, the Barnet springs who is enjoying his best season, trains harder when given a domestic target to pursue. However, after failing to qualify for the world championships last certain for Moorhouse.

tion of Moorhouse might be seen as contentions, a point not lost on Denison. With Gilling-ham, of City of Birmingham, committed to trying for a place in the team at 100 metres, James Parrack, of Leeds, still capable of repeating the time which ranked him third in the world last year, and the rapid pro-gression of Richard Maden, of gression of Richard Maden, of Rochdale Aquabears, a top-two placing in Britain is by no means

which they lost 6-5, but he was back against Murrayfield Racers and scored three times in an impressive 7-4 win.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE (NFL): Ken-ses City Chiefs 24, Los Angeles Reiders 21,

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TOKYO: Japan Series: Selbu Lions 7, Hiro shore Toyo Carp 1 (Selbu win best-of-sever

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JEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Luton 0 Incises 2: Portsmouth 3, Watlord 0; Reading (

Nest Ham 5.

A YOUTH CUP: First round: Bury 3, Junderland 3; Nottingham Forest 0, Wolves 0; York 1, Blackbum 1, Blumennouth 2, Swenses 0; Fullsen 5, Bornelsy 0.

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urium 1, Kingssorein 2, First division: Dutwick 2, Unbrodge 1. HERTIS SENIOR CLIP: First round: Stevenage 2, Wate 1 CAPITAL LEAGUE: Bernet 2, Southend 1 GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Coverdor 6, Ottary 81 Mary 0.

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Crystel Pelace 2, Coverity 0
ALLERIGHT BITTER WELSH CUP: Third
round; föddenmenster 4. Ulensandfreid 1.

CHOOLS' MATCH: British Gas Trophy Schoold round, second replay: Nuneaton

MOTOR RALLYING

MORY COAST RALLY: Leading positions (after 2 stages): 1, K Shinatuka (Japan), Mitsutish Galant, the 54mm 18sec; 2, P Tauzac (Fr), Mitsutish), 3 175M; 3, R Stohl (Austria), Audi 90 Champs BB, 3, 2007, 4, H Mishiyama (Japan), Nissen Potes, 3 4224; 5, P Bos (Fr), Audi 90

THE premier division of the The Racers are struggling, Heineken League contioues to with only one win in their last be unpredictable, but there is five games, and are in ninth losing 13-1 to Nottingham Panthers and 6-0 to Humberside Swindon Wildcats and Fife Fivers continue to show the way

the Bees, was suspended for the in the first division. The Flyers away game with Ayr Raiders, scored eight times in the second period against Trafford Metros, while the Wildcats made heavy Blackbawks.

RESULTS: Premier division: Ayr Reiders 6, Brackneil Bees 5; Cerdill Devis 5, Durham Wasps 2; Humberside Seahawtes 6, Whithly Wamons 4; Nottinghem Partitions 13, Billinghem Bombers 1; Billinghem Bombers 1; Billinghem Bombers 1; Billinghem Bombers 19, Billinghem Bombers 1; Billinghem Bombers 6, Norwich and Peterborouph Pissalas 5, Cerdill Devis 9; Murrayfield Recent 4, Bracknell Bees 7; Whitliey Wamfors 6, Durham Wasps 6, First Children Beschawtes 6, File Flyons 18, Traiford Metros 6, Milton Keynes (Kings 9, Skough Jets 14; Tellord Tigans 6, Lee Valley Lions 6; Romatord Raides 7, Milton Keynes Kings 4; Swindon Wildcats 10, Blackburn Bischhawte 3; Traiford Metros 5, Lee Valley Lions 6, English first division; Chelmstord Chiefs 1; Sweatham Redisions 10, Haringey Recent 3, Oxford City Stars 6; Medway Bears 29, Sunderland Chiefs 2; Stretthed Steelers 9, Oxford City Stars 5; Solent Villeings 3, Medway Bears 15; Stretthem Redisidns 20, Sunderland Chiefs 6.

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Tournament bridge io South Africa has always been multi-racial, but in 1983 the SABF mony, not to exercise their legal right to participate io WBF events unless specially lovited. In view of this, d'Orsi, a Brazilian, feels that io the new atmosphere the WBF owns world body owes the SABF a

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division: Botton v Sheffield Utc; Leads v
Nanchester Utc; Newcastle v Bradford;
Rotherteen v Sunderland. Second division:
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hem v OPR (2.0), iperiod v him v OPR (2.0), iperiod v Met.SH CUP: Third vound: Mostly by V Herstord (at Fini).
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GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bidetord v Minchesd.

CLIFTON STOCKBROKERS LEAGUE: Phymouth Argyle v Bristol City. RUGBY LEAGUE BRITISH COAL INTERNATIONAL: Great Parlam Under/21 v Pepus New Guinea (at Headingley, 7:30).

RUGBY UNION World Cup Third-place play-off New Zeeland v Scotland (at Cardiff Arms Park, 2.30)

CLUB MATCH: Northempton (7:30). OTHER SPORT

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BOXING: Commonwealth super-middle brie: Herry Wherton (Leeds) v Lou Gen (Streathern) (Leeds Town Hell). ICE HOCKEY: August Cup: Semi-fine second leg: Humberaide Scalinsvis v

SPORT NUMBER COLUMN Tour lead

changes

JOHN Charlesworth, the British cyclist, dropped to third place yesterday after leading the 825yesterday after leading the 825-mile Rapport Tour in South Africa for seven days. At the end of the ninth and longest stage, Mark Beneke, of South Africa, led Charlesworth by 3mio 53sec. Charlesworth believes that he still has a chance of victory when the race ends at Port Elizabeth on Saturday. He is counting on doing a better time

counting on doing a better nime-trial in tomorrow's split stage than second-placed Angelo Canzonieri, of Italy. Canzonieri, who won yes-terday's 110-mile stage from Swellendam to Mossel Bay, trails Beneke by tmin 09sec. Charlesworth finished 4min be-hind Canzonieri's breakaway

hind Canzonieri's breakaway group of five riders. RUGBY LEAGUE: Adam Fogerty, Britain's No. 3 heavy-weight boxer, has received an offer from Oldham and expects

offer from Oldham and expects an approach from his molown club, Halifar ogerty, aged 22 and 6ft 4ir tall, said:
"I'm good enough to hold down a first-team place and I thiok I can do well." Fogerty, whose father, Terry, played for Great Britain, used to spar with Oldham's Australian hoss Peter. ham's Australian boss, Peter Tunks, a former boxer, "Adam is big and strong — the sort of forward we are looking for," Tunks said.

VACHITING: Organisers of the Sydney to Hobart race will allow boars to put sponsors' logos oo their spinnakers, but have ruled

out tobacco and alenho advertising. Last year, the first yacht to complete the 630-mile yacht to complete the 630-mile race, Rothmans, of Britain, was penalised for flying a spinnaker bearing the cigarette manufac-turer's name. The Cruising Yacht Club of Australia expects about 106 starters, the same as

ROWING: Tish Reid, Britaio's leading woman sculler, who appealed unsuccessfully against her non-selection for the world championships last summer, fioished fourth io the Head of the Charles in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Reid finished 28sec behind Anne Marden, the London-based American, who was fourth in the Vienna world championships. Marden won the event for the fifth time.

BOWLS: Janet Ackland will defend her world ontdoor sin-gles title at Ayr next year.

GOLF: India and Taiwan have pulled out of the World Cup tomnameot, which begins to-morrow. Taiwan withdrew because one of their players could not get a visa. Austria will replace India and officials hope Belgium will replace Taiwan. TENNIS: Michael Stieh, the

Wimbledoo champion, has withdrawn from the Paris Open because of tennis elbow. CRICKET: Simon Hinks, released by Kent at the end of last season, has signed a three-year

something familiar about seeing place. Even Billingham Bomb-Cardiff Devils at the top (Nor-ers are ahead of them, despite man de Mesquita writes). Weekend wins over Durham Wasps and Norwich and Peterborough
Pirates saw them move ahead of
Bracknell Bees and Nottingham

Seahawks. Ian Young posted the shut-out, the first in the premier division for four years. and Norwich and Peterborough Todd Bidner, player-coach of

EUROPEAN UNDER-21 CHAMPYONS-49-Group three: Hargary 0, Norwey 1 (in Zalaegerazeg). Fourth qualifying round, replays-Entey 1, Chorley 1 (abandoned 90min, log); -tarlow 1, Gravesand 0.

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5, G Norman (Aus), 12.58, 8, P Sewart (US),
11.69; 7, F Couples (US), 10.90; 8, B Langer

(Gen), 10.85; 9, Paznger (US), 10.25; 10, R Davis

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MANCHESTER GOLD RACQUET: Rackets: Singles: Finals: First division: S Device to R Deven-Browner, 7-15, 6-15, 15-10, 15-11, 15-4. Second division: W Hollington bit Junea, 15-9. S-12 Tilhrd division: J Healt bit A Page, 25-21. Reg tearnie: Singles: Finals: First division: I Reg bit T Westurg, 6-1, 6-3 Second division: I Southy of G Deventon, 6-5 Third division: C RUGBY LEAGUE

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Mid-South Warwicks 3
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MODERN PENTATHLON SYDNEY: Women's world champleneshipe: Swinning: 1, V Richay (US), 1,212-ste; 2, 1 Kousen Berth, 1,180; 3, A Tutok (Fun), 1,180; 3, K Young, 1,104; 3, K Harristan, 1,180; 2, 1 K Young, 1,104; 3, 1 Knotinan, 1,180; 2, 1 Kustonian, 1,180; 3, 1,18 NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): Los Angeles Kinge I, Detrolf Red Wings 3; St Louis Blues 1, Torosto Viagle Leafa 1 (OT). RAPPOSHT TOUR, South Africe: Ninth stage (Swellerdem-Moseal Bay, 110mis) 1, A Carconier (ft), Str. Clerin *Gaec; 2 M Bensiel SA), at 0190c; 3. A McLuan (SA), at 02 British squal 8, J Chericaworth, at 4min 04acc. Overral 1, Boneta, 2223:15; 2 Carconieri, at 1.09; 3 Charlosworth, at 353.

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STONES BITTER CHAMPIONS &P: Second Svision: Rydedale York 7, Leigh 22

World games

are planned for S Africa

THE World Bridge Federation will be the first sports organis-ation to stage an official world championship in the Republic of South Africa following the International Olympic Committee's relaxation of its stance in the summer (Albert Dormer

resto d'Orsi, the WBF president, said: "We bave al-ready promised the South Af-rican Bridge Federation [SABF] they can play in the Epsoo worldwide bridge contest next June, when we coofideotly ex-pect a new world record for any official sporting event, hopefully reaching the 100,000 barrier. We are also talking of holding our most prestigious events, the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup world team championships, io South Africa."

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SPORT



Handling skill: Andrew plays with daughter, Emily, in the pool at their Lincolnshire retreat

Factors that give Wallabies an edge

f all the players in the England squad in the pose no one knows the Australians better than I do. I spent six months in Sydney a few years back playing for the Gordon club and I quickly came to realise what makes Australian sportsmen tick. I found it quite different to anything I had been used to in tny rugby career which had embraced

Cambridge University and Wasps. The thread which runs through all Australian sports is the competitive edge. Everything from schoolboy level upwards is organised and arranged in leagues. You will find an under-14 fifth team playing in a league: it is so

competitive from top to bottom. It is arranged so that it would be like Wasps' first, second, third, fourth and fifth teams playing their direct opponents from the Bath club. There is no such thing as friendly rugby out there and I can perfectly well understand why the Wallabies have been able to

the years by the All Blacks.

have also been blessed with some very talented, tremendously skil-ful players. When you combine that with their competitive levels and fitness standards, it is not difficult to see why they have been the only team to match up to the New Zealanders. Now they have probably overtaken the All Blacks - an enormous achievement.

All the great teams have these qualities: high skills, fitness and total commitment. Take out just one of those qualities and it is next to impossible to become a side of the absolute highest merit. The game today demands all these

I found living and playing in Sydney a delight. It really is so different to being in Britain. The moment you wake up, you have the feeling that you want to get going, training, running or whatever it is. Of course, the climate is an integral part of all this. Even in

Three days before the Rugby World Cup final at Twickenham, the England stand-off half, Rob Andrew, examines

Australia's rugby roots

winter, it is usually quite pleasant. I don't believe that I once wore tracksuit for evening training in the winter I was there. It was just shirt, shorts and socks. In the an English winter, you sometimes have to wear two tracksuits to stay warm - and that makes a big difference to not only the quality

of your training but the duration.
In Sydney, I found I was staying out longer for training and the conditions were always better for practising your skills. In other words, the conditions in Australia provide a significant advantage.

I found Australia physically much tougher. The training techniques were not necessarily world-shattering but people just trained harder. There was a lot

more physical contact work than I had been used to and I found their fitness levels and physical contributions to the games and training sessions much higher than here at the time.

This Wallabies side at the World Cup is quite young by comparison with the England team. There is a tradition of young Australian sides, partly because several union players have turned to professional rugby league. That means new young Wallabies often get thrown in at the deep end.

I believe they can get away with that far more than we could in the British Isles, because their youngsters have been brought up in such a competitive rugby environment. However, due to that intense level

of competition, they tend to burn out at an early age. In Britain, players go on longer because they have not had that great competitive involvement but I expect this to change in the next

Talking of which, I said goodbye last night 10 my 16-month-old daughter, Emily, together with my wife, Sara, as we headed off to our base at a Surrey hotel to prepare for Saturday. It was a delightful short break in Lincolnshire with our families. Six of the England players have baby daughters, so there was a nice family almosphere, a lovely change from

the intense level of rughy. But now the pace is quickening and we can see the large stands of Twickenham from our hotel room windows. Our concentration and our preparation are building up for what will undoubtedly be the most important game of sugby all of us have ever played.

☐ Interview by Peter Bills.

Size may count against Australian forwards

Calder considers England the best bet for final

By DAVID HANDS

ENGLAND, who arrived in Loodon last night to begin the final phase of their quest for rugby union's World Cup. received at the same time support from a player who has been a thorn in their side - or perhaps a thistle underfoot for the last five years: Finlay Calder, the 1989 British Isles

row of the Scottish side beaten 9-6 hy England at Murrayfield last Saturday and today plays in his 34th and last interclub rugby after his fourth series success against Austra-encounter with the All Blacks. lia two years ago.

It is his belief that England will beat Australia at Twickcoham in Saturday's final and lift the Webh Ellis Cup. "I think England will win because the Australian pack Brian Moore, Wade Dooley, will not be mature enough to Paul Ackford and Mike

NICK Farr-Jones, the Austra-

lian captain, said yesterday

created considerable interest

states achieving large viewing

figures for the live telecasts of

the Australian matches.

(Peter Bills writes).

Boost for the game

that victory for his side in the certainly, to make it more

World Cup final against Eng- financially possible for the

land on Saturday could lead to guys in this Australian team to

a serious dent in the popular- resist the temptations of rugby

ity of rugby league in Australia league offers. It is my

The success of Australia has of the guys will go to league.

at home, with even non-rugby Cup has created is tremendous



handle them," he said in Calder played in the back Bristol, where Scotland trained yesterday.

His opinion, contrary to those of many who see the Wallabies' fluid style and in the third-place play-off Sunday as a springboard to match at Cardiff. Having re-victory, is based on his knowturned from retirement for the ledge of the England forwards World Cup, he will return to who helped the Lions to a 2-1

> Though Dean Richards, so formidable a figure on that tour, has since been relegated to the England replacements, four of the forwards remain -

Farr-Jones said: "We are

trying to make advances and,

considered opinion that none

for our game," he said.

"The attention this World

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the lineont and Ackford and Dooley will make the Australians struggle," Calder said.
"I don't think McCall, Eales

and Coker are bulky enough to knock England out of the lineout contest. They may still do what they did against the All Blacks and use Eales at the tail hut England are so good on their own ball I can't see Australia upsetting them.

"The England forwards will play it as the Lions did in 1989. They will grind Australia down and they will win," In fact, New Zealand won more lineout ball than Australia in Dublin on Sunday but Boh Dwyer, the Wallabies coach, expressed satisfaction with Troy Coker, preferred at No. 8 and likely to be included when the team for

the final is named today. "He made a significant contribution and will gain in confidence from it," he said. "Maybe the consistency of football in this World Cup has

brought the best out of him." Coker has had a chequered career since he was first capped during the 1987 tournament, caused partly by his prolonged stay in England studying at Oxford University, but he settled last season into the Harlequins team ironically - as Ackford's regu-

lar second-row partner. Calder also expressed his lack of comprehension at the criticism of England's methods. "There were 14 other teams in the World Cup who would love to have been in the final at Twickenham," he

"If those others had possessed the same artillery as England have at their disposal, I'm sure they would bave used it in the same way. We Scots would bave been more than happy with a three

point win at Murrayfield last Saturday, I can tell you."
Geoff Cooke, the England manager, said: "People can say what they like. We know that we are in the final and we have the statistics to show that we are moving the ball at a normal rate for international rugby. We know that the whole country is behind us." Roger Uttley, the England coach, arrived in London ahead of the party yesterday to receive his OBE at Buckingham Palace.

Kirk's view, page 38 think whether I ca Cardiff preview, page 38 a sport like this."



Eubank remains uncertain

By SRIKUMAR SEN, BOXING CORRESPONDENT

CHRIS Eubank, the World still not sure whether he will stay in boxing. He said yesterday he was too worried about Michael Watson, who suffered brain damage in a bout with him last month, to think about his own career.

"I never thought I could inflict such damage on an opponent," he said. "I still haven't come to terms with it. Without question it has changed me. It makes me think whether I can go on with

Eubank is expected to have Boxing Organisation super- a clearer idea of his position middleweight champion, is after returning from a holiday in the United States. He said: "It has been a very difficult time for me. It's a time for taking stock. I am waiting to

see his [Watson's] progress." Eubank was talking in London after receiving the British Boxing Board of Control's award for his bout with Nigel Benn, which was voted the best bout of the year.

Dave McAuley, of Northern Ireland, received the award for the best boxer. McAuley, the International Boxing Federa- seas boxer.

tion flyweight champion, has boxed in eight world championships. McAuley won the world title in 1989 and has defended it a record five

The award for services to boxing went to Muhammad Ali. It was received on the great man's behalf by Duke McKenzie, the WBO bantamweight champion.

Wally Swift, the British light-middleweight champion. took the sportsmanship award and Donovan Boucher, of Canada, was voted best over-

London police ban altered kick-off times

By Louise Taylor

LONDON football followers any of the 3pm League kickmorning, many supporters will be strongly tempted to swap their spot on the terraces for a seat in the armchair.

Accordingly, there are likely to be spaces in the crowd at Highbury - where Arsenal play West Ham United, Selhurst Park - where Wimbledon face Leeds United, The Den - which hosts Millwall versus Portsmouth, and Brisbane Road the venue for Leyton Orient's

meeting with Exeter City. Seventeen League clubs attracted their lowest crowds of the season last Saturday when their games kicked off half an bour after the start of England's rugby semi-final in Scotland, and they wish to avert furtber financial

hardship. The Football League has said it will sanction any kick-off time from 1 lam, but clubs have to win the agreement of local police, and regional forces have proved more flexible than the Metropolitan Police.

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Ten fixtures have already without videos, or who feel been switched, and Eddie compelled to watch the Rugby Plumley, the chief executive of World Cup final live on television, face a dilemma on Saturday. With the Metropolitan Police refusing to move innundated with inquiries. The whole world and his wife off times in the capital to the have woken up to the fact England are playing on Saturday.

Plumley said: "It now means that our supporters will have to set out at Sam, but we still expect 300 or 400 diehards to make the trip to Roker Park. The team will travel to Sunderland on Friday, and return by coach after the match. But there is no television on the coach and we have no plans to install one just to watch the rugby."

Geoff Davidson, the Sunderland secretary, said: says it is wrong, and we just hope the supporters will accept our kick-off switch. We have agreed to give Watford supporters a third off the admission price in order to compensate them for the early departure."

Townsend to have hernia operation

midfield player, Andy Towns- portant pre-Christmas League end, is out of the vital Euro- games against Manchester pean championship qualifying United, Sheffield Wednesday match against Turkey in Istanbul on November 13. The others. Chelsea captain will have a hernia operation today and is expected to be out of action until the new year.

Townsend played in Chelsea's goalless draw with Crystal Palace on Saturday, despite the injury, but after seeing a specialist yesterday was recommended for surgery, which is expected to rule him out for six to eight weeks.

Chelsea's managing director, Colin Hurchinson, said: "We just want to get on with it and get birn fit again as soon as possible. He has been carrying the injury for some time now and it's a blow for

The Irish have to beat Turkey to stand any chance of qualifying for the finals in Sweden next summer.

THE Republic of Ireland Townsend will also miss imand Coventry City, among

> Chelsea's central defender, Jason Cundy, has signed a new contract, keeping him at Stamford Bridge until June



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By PATRICIA DAVIES ANDREA Doyle, the new

executive director of the Women Professional Golfers' European Tour (WPGET). dismisses suggestions that her lack of background in the sport is a hindrance. "I don't think it's rocket science," she said at the WPGET headquarters at Tytherington, near Macclesfield, "and I don't think I'm of subnormal intelligence." "Of course, I've got ref-

Doyle looks past the hazards of a testing task run everything, get a corner shop. As Alan Sugar said when to talk about the past. Perhaps he 100k over Tottenham [Hotspur]. 'I don't know anything about football, I'm here to run a company'. That's the way I feel," she added.

Doyle is right, of course, to emphasise that at least she came to the job with no preconceived ideas and no history that golders could relate to, either to praise or criticise. She must be taken entirely on her merits. In keeping with the eff-

shambolic handling of her appointment and the, at best, grossly insensitive ousting of Joe Flanagan, her predecessor. Flanagan had certainly lost the confidence of his members hut he was duc to retire at the end of November, Instead, last month, a letter from Janice Arnold, the WPGET chairman, informed him that he

wisely, she showed no inclina-

tion to comment on the

erence books, but I've also got icient, go-getting image she So Doyle, who works for a a good team. If you want to and the tour wish her to company in both financial and worth watching.

was dismissed.

sole charge

what we've already got," she said, "and build on that. Next year will be extremely difficult but there is great potential."

Charlie Brown once said, nothing weighs you down as much as great potential", but Doyle's joh is essentially clearcut. She must sell the tour, as though she will stand no persuade sponsors that women's golf is worth backing and persuade the public that it is

European business dev- profile (the present image elopment manager, is now in struck her as "non-existent") and she is pleased with the raw "We have to consolidate material she has to work with "The players are great," she said. "They work very hard, practise well and look good. I want us to work as a team, to

> A practical, down-to-earth Yorkshirewoman in her forties. Doyle looks and sounds nonsense. She has the air of someone who will run a tight ship. "Bossy" was someone's rather unkind summation.

Someone else might have used "authoritative" As a whole, the players' initial comments have been approving and even the caddies are enthusiastic. They will all remain that way only if Doyle comes up with more tournaments and more money. She must hope they

push the tour forwards." allow ber the time to achieve that. While her ship may be wallowing rather than sinking the new skipper needs all

hands to the pumps - now.

